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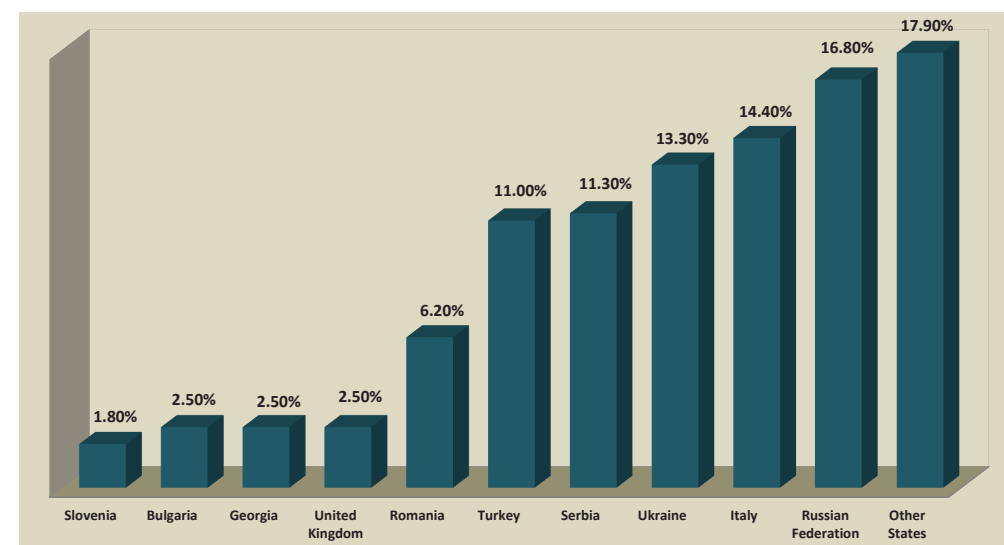
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The Court's statistics for 2013

Pending allocated cases

Approximately 99,900 applications were pending before a judicial formation on 31 December 2013. More than half of these applications had been lodged against one of 4 countries: Russian Federation, Italy, Ukraine and Serbia.

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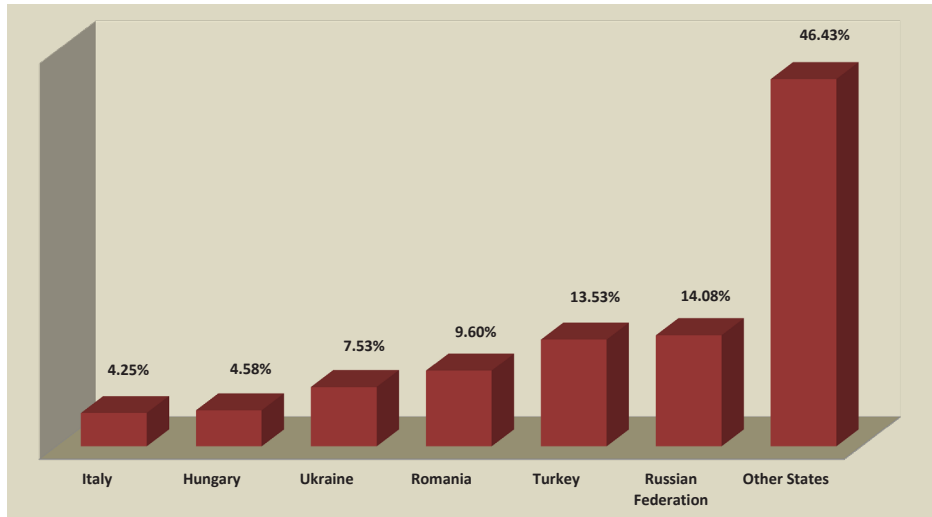
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Violation judgments by State in 2013

In 2013, almost half of the judgments delivered by the Court concerned 5 of the Council of Europe’s 47 member States: Russian Federation (129), Turkey (124), Romania (88), Ukraine (69) and Hungary (41). Of the total number of judgments delivered in 2013, the Court has found at least one violation of the Convention by the respondent State in 87% of the cases.

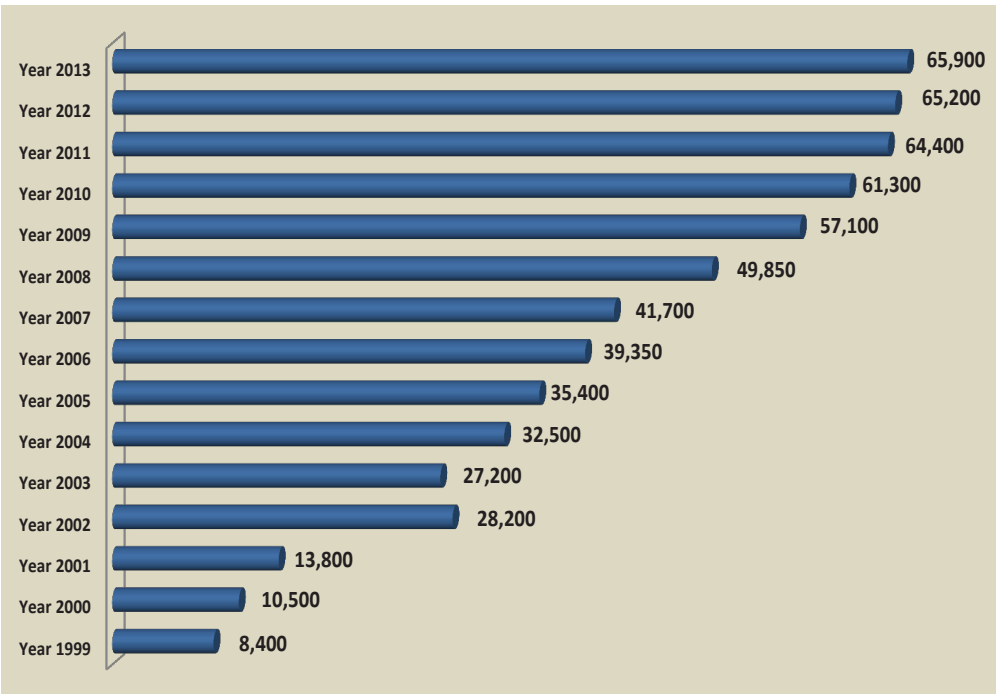


Since it was established in 1959, almost half of the judgments delivered by the Court concerned 5 member States: Turkey (2,994), Italy (2,268), Russian Federation (1,475), Poland (1,042) and Romania (1,026).

Applications allocated to a judicial formation

Applications which are allocated to a judicial formation are those for which the Court has received a correctly completed form, accompanied by copies of relevant documents. These applications will be examined by a single judge, a Committee or by a Chamber of the Court. These figures do not include applications which are at the pre-judicial stage (incomplete case file).

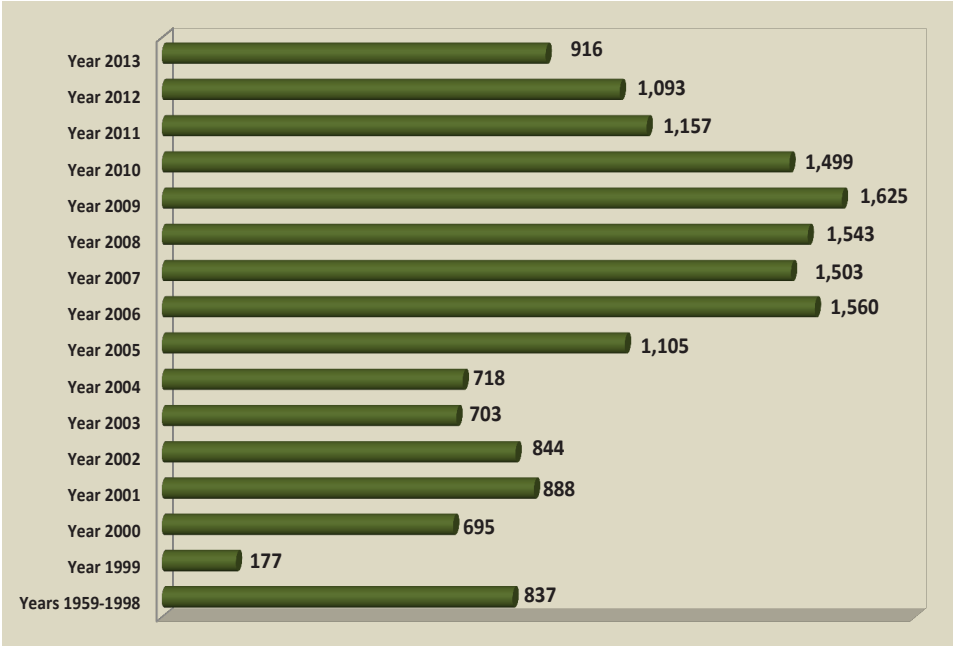
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Judgments delivered by the Court

In recent years the Court has concentrated on examining complex cases and has decided to join certain applications which raise similar legal questions so that it can consider them jointly. Thus, although the number of judgments delivered each year is not increasing as rapidly as in the past, the Court has examined more applications.

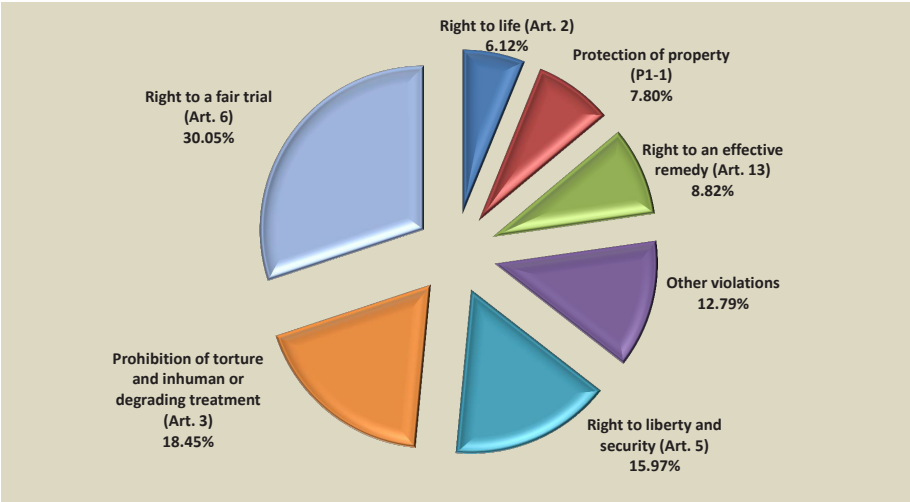
In 2013, the Court delivered 916 judgments concerning 3,659 applications. A total of 93,397 applications were decided in 2013.



Subject-matter of the Court’s violation judgments in 2013

Nearly a third of the judgments in which the Court found a violation included a violation of Article 6 (Right to a fair trial), whether on account of the fairness or the length of the proceedings. Furthermore, about 50% of the violations found by the Court concern either Article 6 or Article 3 (Prohibition of torture and inhuman or degrading treatment).

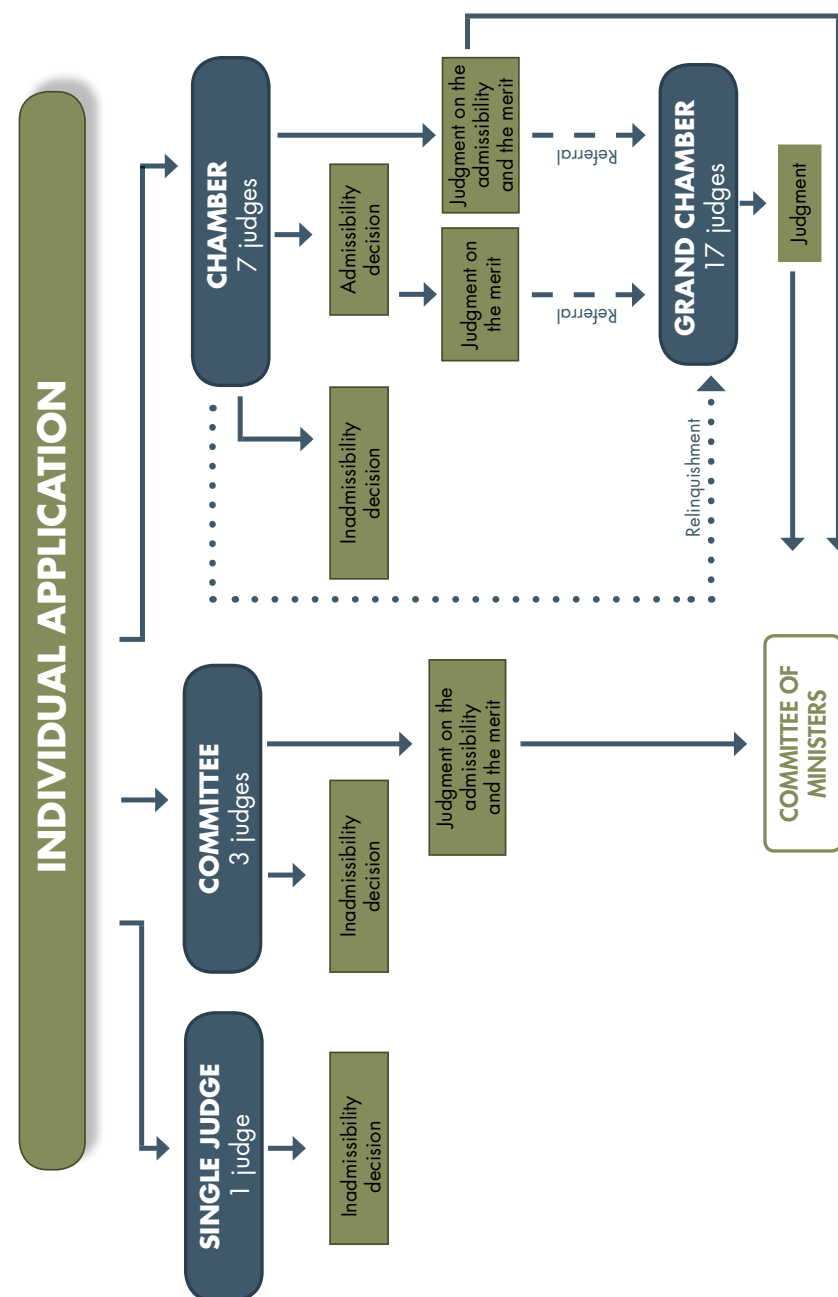
Lastly, more than 24% of the violations found by the Court concern the right to life or the prohibition of torture and inhuman or degrading treatment (Articles 2 and 3 of the Convention).



Throughput of applications in 2013

	judicial information allocated to a Applications inadmissible or struck out	Applications declared inadmissible or struck out	Applications which judgment was delivered	Total number of applications decided
	2013	2013	2013	2013
Albania	106	48	9	57
Andorra	2	6	0	6
Armenia	196	195	2	197
Austria	437	611	22	633
Azerbaijan	325	284	13	297
Belgium	270	253	9	262
Bosnia and Herzegovina	871	1,019	26	1,045
Bulgaria	1,209	2,552	26	2,578
Croatia	1,842	2,047	24	2,071
Cyprus	144	163	1	164
Czech Republic	481	827	11	838
Denmark	85	88	0	88
Estonia	237	533	6	539
Finland	315	300	3	303
France	1,538	2,391	36	2,427
Georgia	157	577	2	579
Germany	1,528	3,033	7	3,040
Greece	726	472	43	515
Hungary	990	1,048	42	1,090
Iceland	9	11	0	11
Ireland	61	63	2	65
Italy	3,184	2,872	76	2,948
Latvia	322	307	10	317
Liechtenstein	7	14	1	15
Lithuania	428	416	12	428
Luxembourg	38	31	2	33
Malta	50	12	10	22
Republic of Moldova	1,356	3,143	19	3,162
Monaco	10	10	3	13
Montenegro	293	342	3	345
Netherlands	778	1,389	1	1,390
Norway	148	115	4	119
Poland	3,990	5,388	23	5,411
Portugal	267	236	13	249
Romania	5,422	7,697	166	7,863
Russian Federation	12,330	23,845	257	24,102
San Marino	4	1	0	1
Serbia	5,061	3,685	193	3,878
Slovak Republic	464	684	16	700
Slovenia	495	896	25	921
Spain	784	1,029	13	1,042
Sweden	362	365	16	381
Switzerland	445	1,197	13	1,210
"The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia"	539	850	9	859
Turkey	3,521	9,011	190	9,201
Ukraine	13,152	8,049	2,281	10,330
United Kingdom	912	1,633	19	1,652
TOTAL	65,891	89,738	3,659	93,397

Simplified case-processing flow chart of the Court



Violations by Article and by State¹

2013	Other judgments ²																		Total										
	Friendly settlements/Striking-out																												
	Judgments finding no violation																												
	Judgments finding at least one violation																												
	Total number of judgments																												
	Total	Total	Total	Total	Total	2	2	3	3	3	3	4	5	6	6	6	7	8		9	10	11	12	13	14	P1-1	P1-2	P1-3	P1-4
	Albania	8	4	3	1			1							3	1	2							2			1		
	Andorra	0																											
	Armenia	2	1	1											1														
	Austria	15	10	5						1					4	2						1		3	2				
	Azerbaijan	8	8								4	1			5		2						1	1		2			
	Belgium	9	6	2	1							1		6	1														
	Bosnia Herzegovina	7	7												1		9	1								9			
	Bulgaria	26	25	1			1		2	2				10	9	3	2			2		1		6	5		5		2
	Croatia	24	22	2										3	10	3	2	5				1		1	1	2			
	Cyprus	1	1											2										2					
	Czech Republic	11	8	2	1				1	1				2	4									1		1			
Denmark	0																												
Estonia	6	5	1					2	1					3															
Finland	3	3																2		1									
France	36	28	7	1				2		7			4	5				4	3	2			1						
Georgia	2	2						2																					
Germany	6	3	3										2				1	1											
Greece	38	32	3	3				8					7	2	12				1	1		9	3	2					
Hungary	42	40	2					3					10	1	25			3	2	2		3	2	3			1		
Iceland	0																												
Ireland	2	1	1													1						1							
Italy	39	34	2	3				2						7	16	4	1	4		2		1	1	13					
Latvia	10	10											6	2	1			1		1									
Liechtenstein	1	1																											
Lithuania	12	10	2			1	1	1																					
Luxembourg	2	1	1												2	2	1							1	4				

Violations by Article and by State¹

2013	Violations by Article and by State ¹																		Other Articles of the Convention		
																			Right not to be tried or punished twice	Right to free elections	Right to education
Judgments finding at least one violation																			Protection of property	Prohibition of discrimination	Right to an effective remedy
																			Right to marry	Right to assembly and association	Freedom of expression
Friendly settlements/Striking-out																			Freedom of thought, conscience & religion	Freedom of assembly and association	Freedom of expression
																			Right to respect for private and family life ²	Right to respect for private and family life ²	Right to respect for private and family life ²
Judgments finding no violation																			Right to a fair trial ³	Right to a fair trial ³	Right to a fair trial ³
																			Length of proceedings	Length of proceedings	Length of proceedings
Total number of judgments																			Right to liberty and security	Right to liberty and security	Right to liberty and security
																			Prohibition of slavery/forced labour	Prohibition of slavery/forced labour	Prohibition of slavery/forced labour
2013																					
Total	Total	Total	Total	Total	Total	Total	Total	Total	Total	Total	Total	Total	Total	Total	Total	Total	Total	Total	Total		
Malta	10	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Republic of Moldova	19	18	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Monaco	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Montenegro	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Netherlands	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Norway	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Poland	23	14	8	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Portugal	11	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Romania	88	83	2	3	1	4	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2		
Russian Federation	129	119	9	1	15	15	7	49	16	2	63	25	7	8	1	18	2	2	2		
San Marino	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Serbia	24	21	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Slovak Republic	16	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Slovenia	25	24	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Spain	12	7	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Sweden	16	3	12	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Switzerland	13	9	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia ⁴	9	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Turkey	124	118	3	3	11	17	18	19	0	0	35	15	32	3	1	9	4	6	5		
Ukraine	69	65	3	1	4	8	3	23	10	0	28	19	11	15	1	7	2	20	1		
United Kingdom	13	8	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Sub-Total	797	96	5	21	33	51	11	163	67	12	219	166	177	69	7	74	6	32	10		
Total	916*																				

1. This table has been generated automatically, using the conclusions recorded in the metadata for each judgment contained in HUDOC, the Court's case-law database.

2. Other judgments: just satisfaction, revision, preliminary objections and lack of jurisdiction.

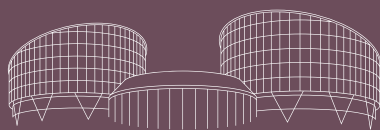
3. Cases in which the Court held there would be a violation of Article 3 if the applicant was removed to a State where he/she was at risk of ill-treatment.

4. Figures in this column may include conditional violations.

* Some judgments are against more than one State: Albania and Italy; Romania and Italy; and Poland and Greece.

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