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Republic of Moldova

Effectiveness of investigation index

Prohibition of torture index

1.83

122.2

General

- Staged reduction of pre-trial custody for detainees and suspects
- No uniform protocol of medical examination
- Use of coercion by police against persons with mental health problems
- Lack of data on judicial review of torture claims
- No security measures for torture victims

Access to, and safekeeping of video evidence

Population - 2 640 400

Prison population (convicted) — 6 429

In pre-trial detention (under investigation) – 2 694, of them under

preventive arrest -1401

Detainees (under administrative arrest) - no data

Law enforcement budget **48 404 659 EUR** (penitentiary and police service combined)

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Number of penitentiary personnel – 2951

- No security measures for torture victims	Number of penitentiary personnel – 2 951
	Number of police officers - no data
Judgments documen	nting the problem of torture
Judgments and decisions of international bodies documenting	107 ECtHR judgments against Moldova since the country accepted the
the problem of torture and ill-treatment	Court's jurisdiction
Judgments of Moldovan courts	12 against 17 people
Judgments excluding evidence obtained under torture	No data
Criminalization of	torture and ill-treatment
Explicit prohibition of torture in criminal law	Yes, there is explicit prohibition
Criminalization of acts falling within the definition of torture	Criminalized. Sanctions are clearly defined
Definition of torture consistent with international treaties	Yes, consistent with relevant Conventions
Government body investigating	allegations of torture and ill-treatment
There is a body authorized to investigate torture	The Bureau for Torture Investigations is a dedicated body authorized to
•	investigate torture claims
Number of investigators	min 57
Investigator workload	15.37
Investigating body's jurisdiction	Cases of torture and ill-treatment are 90%-100%
Geographic coverage	Represented in all administrative units
Budget	Sufficient, covers the minimum essential costs
Number of complaints of torture and ill-treatment	876/312 from places of custody and detention
Ratification of rele	vant international treaties
Relevant conventions	All relevant conventions ratified
Optional Protocol to the UN Convention against Torture and	Signed and ratified
Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (2002)	
Istanbul Protocol	Partially implemented in national legislation
Procedu	ıral guarantees
Documenting the actual detention start time	Yes. Respected in practice
Lawyer notification at the actual detention start time	Lawyer notified 3 hours after detention start time. Applied selectively
Family notification	Applied selectively in practice
Medical examination	Medical examination is performed selectively
Preventi	ve mechanisms
Independent external review mechanism	Available in all provinces, financed from public budget
Video surveillance	Facilities equipped, with good coverage

No data