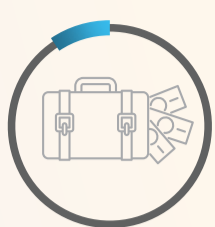


# How is corruption sanctioned in the Republic of Moldova?

The Legal Resources Centre from Moldova analysed over 400 court judgements issued during the period 2017-2020 by the Supreme Court of Justice concerning more than 550 persons investigated in corruption cases.



**93%** of cases concern **petty corruption**



**7%** of cases concern **public office holders and civil servants**



**53%** of cases go for re-trial\* at least once



**12%** of cases go for re-trial two or more times

\*the re-trials reduce the chances of people being sanctioned

## The most common investigated corruption acts



**26%** excess of power or exceeding official duties



**21%** influence peddling



**20%** passive corruption



**17%** embezzlement

## Who ends up being investigated for corruption more often?



**25%** police officers



**16%** private individuals



**6%** local councillors



**4%** mayors



**3%** lawyers



**3%** accountants



**2%** customs inspectors

The shortest trial in a corruption case was **138 days**.

About four and a half months.

On the other hand, the longest trial in a corruption case lasted **4,610 days**.

In other words, more than 12,5 years passed until a final verdict was issued.

On average, it took **1,278 days** for a court to examine a corruption case.

About 3,5 years.

## What are the most frequent imposed sanctions on corrupt individuals in Moldova?



In **39% of cases** judges sentenced the perpetrators to jail. However, in half of the cases, enforcement was conditionally postponed.

### Prison

In only **18% of corruption cases** the convicted serve their sentence in prison.

**0,4 years** the shortest prison sentence

**2,3 years** the average prison sentence

**16 years** the longest prison sentence



In **34% of cases** the people were also given fines.



### Fines

In **19% of cases** fines were the only sanction, prescribed for a corruption offense.

**3,000 MDL** the minimum fine

**29,870 MDL** the average fine

**290,000 MDL** the maximum fine

### Bans

In **27% of cases**, the convicted received bans from holding certain posts.

**1 year** the shortest ban

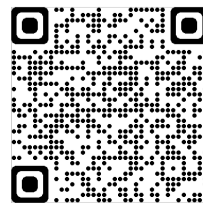
**1,4 years** the average ban

**10 years** the longest ban



**8 out of 10** people convicted of corruption have not spent a single day in prison

More details can be found in the LRCM study



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