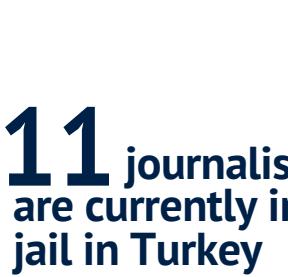


Press Freedom in Turkey

Monthly Factsheet: January 2026



11 journalists are currently in jail in Turkey

Behind Bars

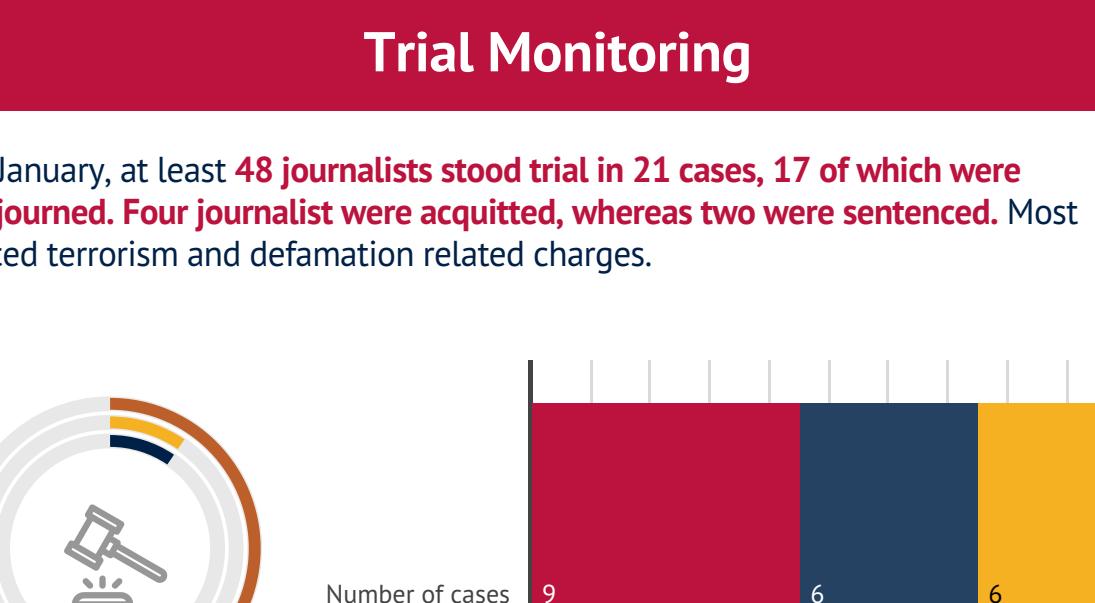


At least 13 journalists were detained.



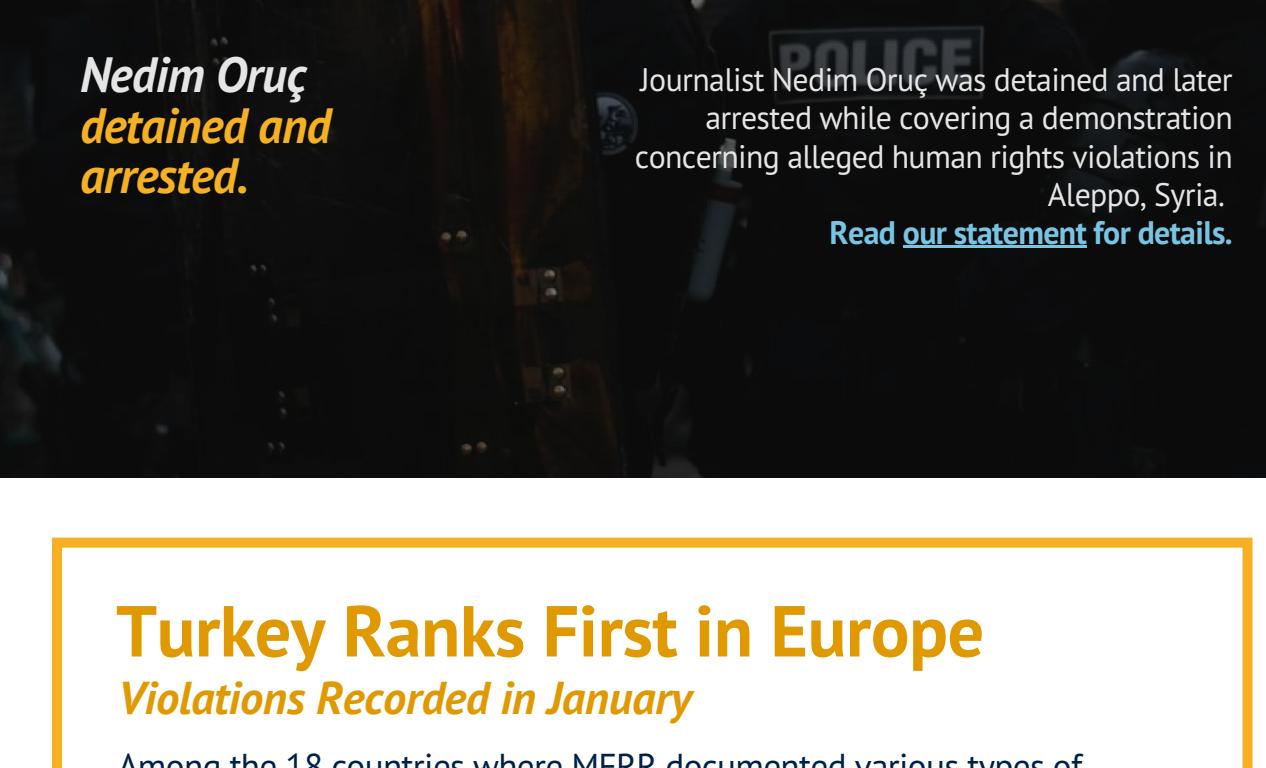
Top Violations

IPI documented at least 16 alerts impacting 19 journalists, media workers or outlets in January 2026.



Trial Monitoring

In January, at least 48 journalists stood trial in 21 cases, 17 of which were adjourned. Four journalist were acquitted, whereas two were sentenced. Most faced terrorism and defamation related charges.



Nedim Oruç detained and arrested.

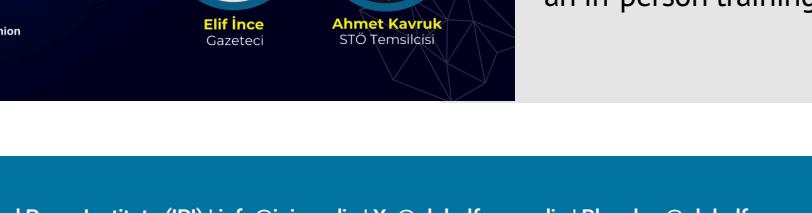
Journalist Nedim Oruç was detained and later arrested while covering a demonstration concerning alleged human rights violations in Aleppo, Syria.

[Read our statement for details.](#)

Turkey Ranks First in Europe

Violations Recorded in January

Among the 18 countries where MFR recorded various types of violations, Turkey ranked first with at least nine cases this month.



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In February, we will continue with an in-person training in Istanbul on February 7.

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