

# Press Freedom in Turkey

## Monthly Factsheet: September 2026



**15** journalists are currently in jail in Turkey

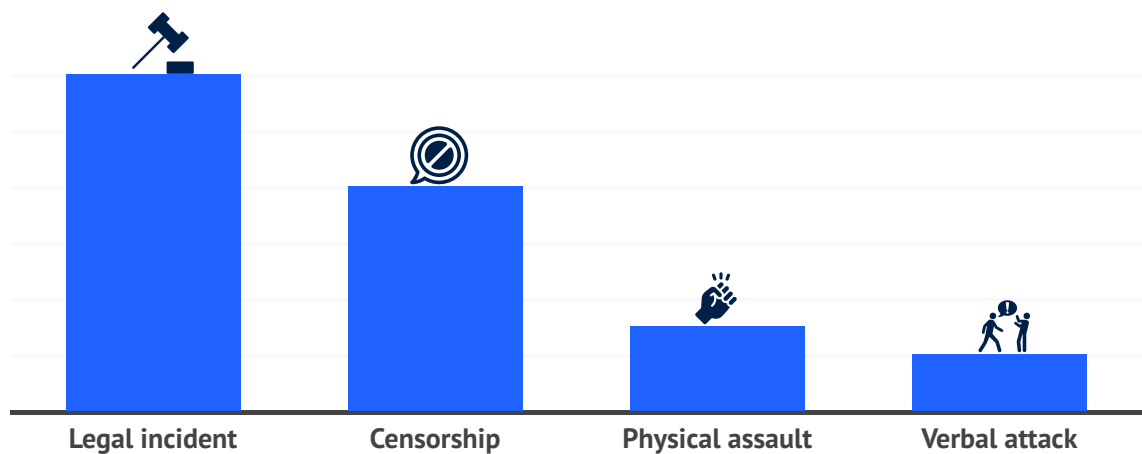


**6** journalists arrested.

### Behind Bars

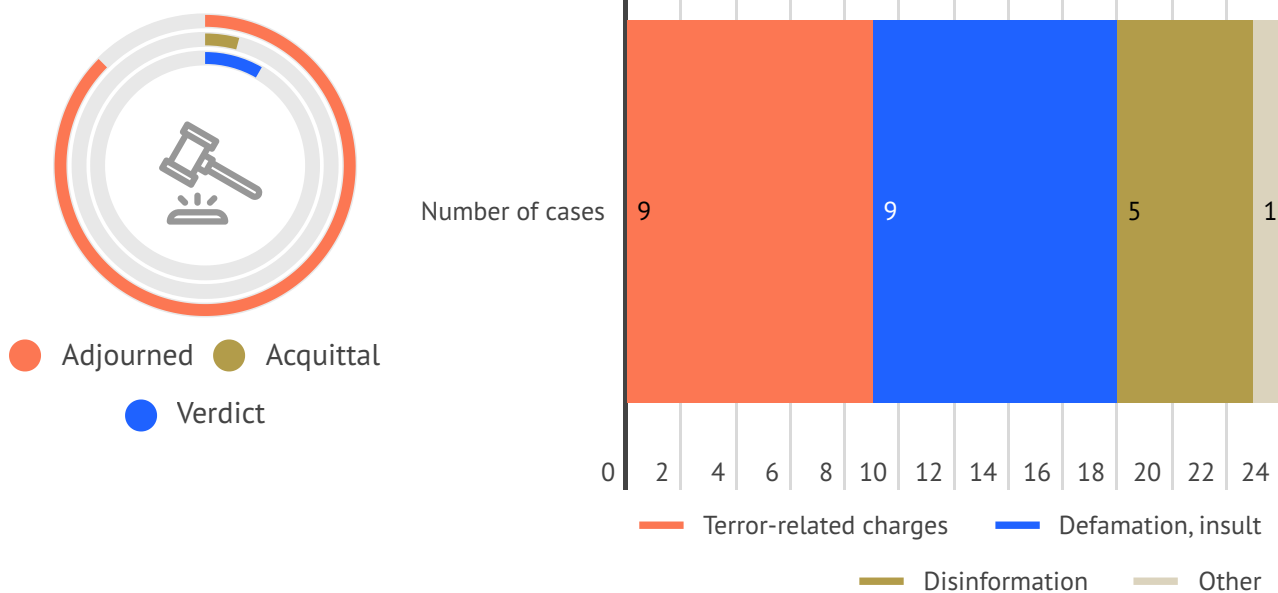
### Top Violations

IPI documented **at least 25 violations** impacting **23 journalists, media workers or outlets** in September 2026.



### Trial Monitoring

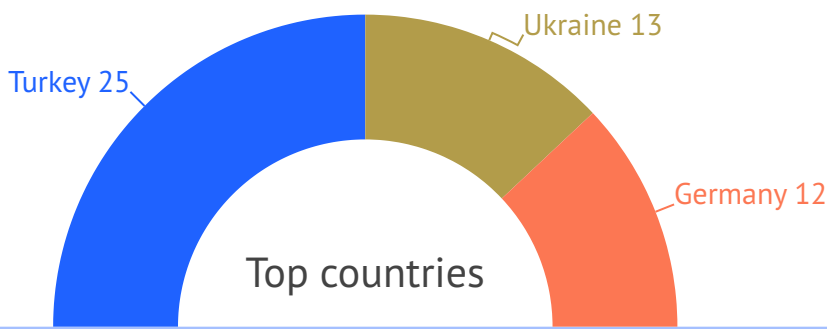
In September, at least **75 journalists stood trial in 24 cases, 21 of which were adjourned. A journalist was acquitted, whereas two were sentenced.** Most faced terrorism and defamation related charges.



### Turkey Ranks First in Europe

#### Violations Recorded in September

Among the 17 countries where MFRR documented various types of violations, **Turkey ranked first with at least 25 cases this month.**



### IPI's work in Turkey



#### IPI condemns journalist detention, mass account blocking in anti-LGBTQ+ operations

Journalists and media organisations were targeted during wave of access-blocking orders, detentions, and arrests targeting LGBTQ+ organisations and individuals. [Read our statement.](#)



#### FOI training series continue in İzmir

IPI is bringing its Freedom of Information (FOI) training sessions to İzmir in October, after a successful session in Giresun in September! [Register here.](#)