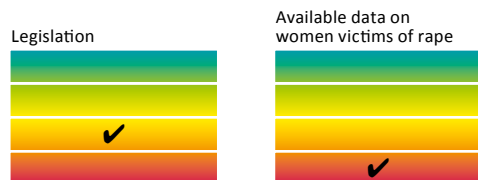


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Legislation

There are six articles in the Macedonian's Criminal Code (articles **186 to 194**) that criminalise various forms of sexual violence:

Rape is defined (Article 186) as an act where (1) A person who by force or threat of immediate attack upon the victim's life or body or the life or body of a his/her close person, forces sexual intercourse on another, shall be punished with a term of imprisonment of one to ten years.
(...)

Other articles concern:

Sexual intercourse with a disabled person (Article 187);

Sexual assault of a **juvenile under the age of 14 (Article 188), with aggravated circumstances** if the crime is committed by a blood relative in direct line of kinship or a brother, i.e. sister, teacher, educator, adoptive parent, guardian, stepfather, stepmother, doctor or some other person, by misusing their position or while performing family violence; or by abusing his or hers mental illness, mental disorder, disability, insufficient mental development, or other condition that renders him or her incapable of resistance.

Sexual intercourse by abuse of position (Article 189) refers to the case when a person abuses his/her position to force sexual intercourse or other sexual activity on a subordinate or dependent person; or when a teacher, educator, adoptive parent, guardian, stepfather, doctor or other people abuse their position to have sexual intercourse or perform another sexual activity with a minor older than 14 years, who is entrusted to them for learning, education, shelter, or care

Satisfying sexual passions before another (Article 190)

Incest (Article 194) - sexual intercourse with a direct blood relative or a sibling.

Available data on women victims of rape

Aggregated data on victims are not part of the national statistics; the data on rape according to the state statistical office is only available regarding **convicted adult perpetrators**.

The state statistical office produces little data on the perpetrators of criminal offences, particularly data on reported, accused and convicted adult and juvenile perpetrators of crimes. The available data shows the number of cases of rapes, and the number and gender of the perpetrators.

www.stat.gov.mk/PrikaziPoslednaPublikacija.aspx?id=43



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Statistics for 2011

In 2011 there were 30 cases of rape. In 28 cases the perpetrators were known persons, and in 2 cases, the perpetrators were unknown. In 8 cases the complaint was dismissed, and in 3 cases the investigation was halted. The total number of indictments for rape in 2011 was 17. One case of incest was committed and one indictment handed down.

www.stat.gov.mk/Publikacii/2.4.11.15_kor.pdf

Statistics for 2010

In 2010, there were 44 cases of rape, In 43 cases the perpetrators were known, while in the remaining case the perpetrator was unknown. In 6 cases the complaint was dismissed and in 4 cases, the investigation was halted. The total number of indictments for rape in 2010 was 33.

www.stat.gov.mk/Publikacii/2.4.10.12.pdf

The following link is to statistics about criminal acts including domestic violence and rape:

www.mvr.gov.mk/ShowAnnouncements.aspx?ItemID=10905&mid=1094&tabId=201&tabindex=0

Useful Contacts

There are no specialised shelter centres and counselling services for victims of rape crime.

There is a national SOS lines for women and children victims of domestic violence ++ 389 2 15 315 and ++ 389 2 15 700 and non-governmental centres for victims of violence:

1. NGO Crises center "hope" (krizen centar "nadez")

tel++ 389 2 3173-424

fax ++ 389 2 3175-516

SOS no ++ 389 2/ 15-315

www.krizencentar.org.mk

e-mail info@krizencentar.org.mk;

sovet@krizencentar.org.mk

2. NGO Shelter center

tel: ++ 389 2 2772 - 400

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