

The Intolerance Motive in Crimes Against Sexual Freedom and Sexual Inviolability



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Prosecution



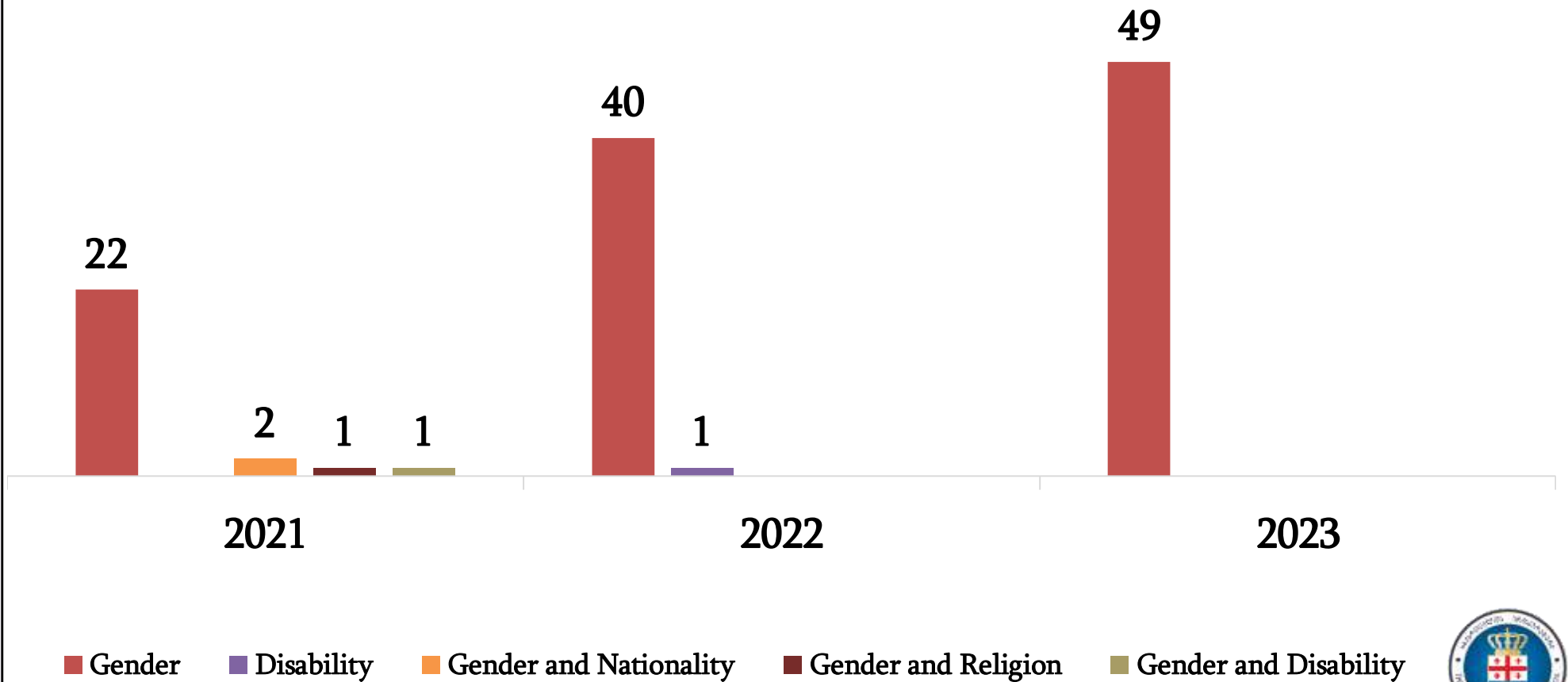
■ *Total number of prosecutions for sexual abuse crimes*

■ *Number of prosecutions for intolerance-motivated sexual abuse crimes*



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Legal Qualification of Crimes

2021

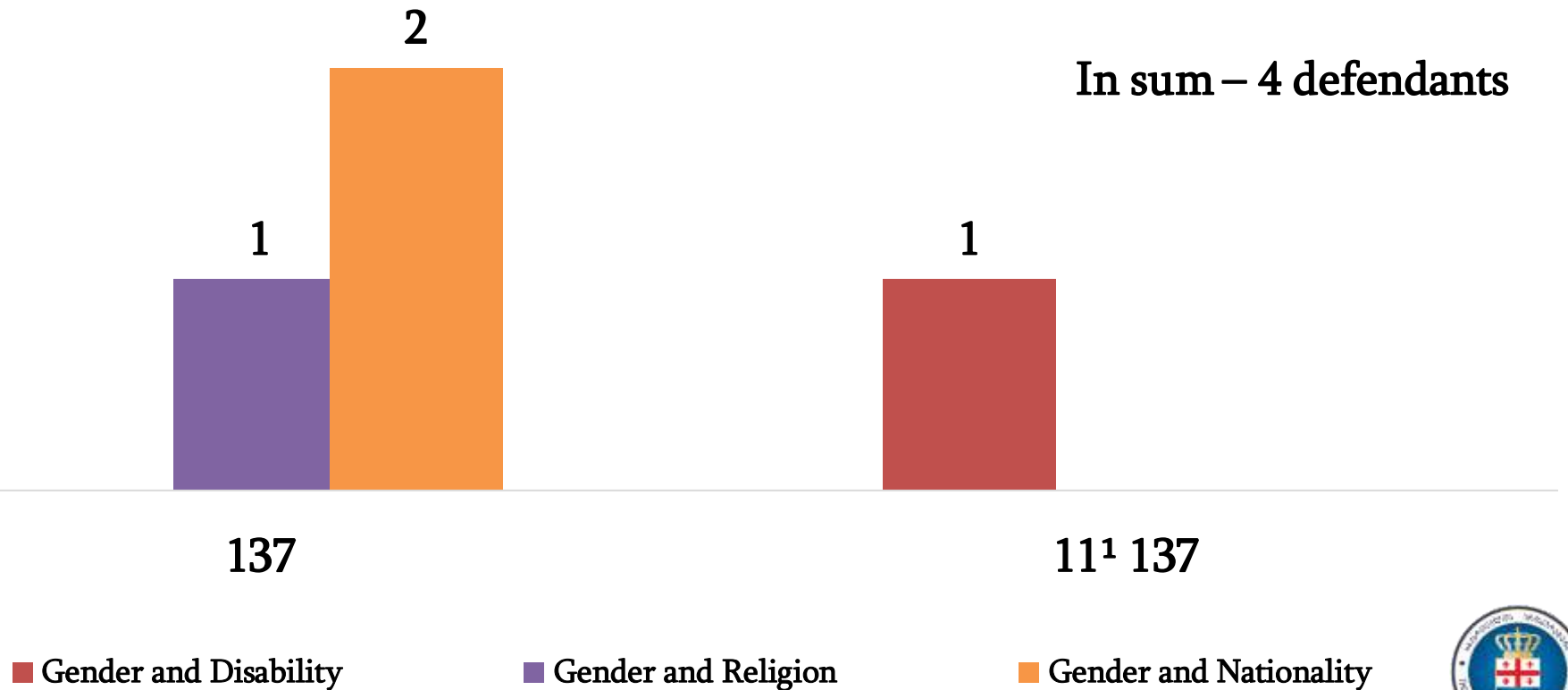
In sum – 22 defendants



Legal Qualification of Crimes

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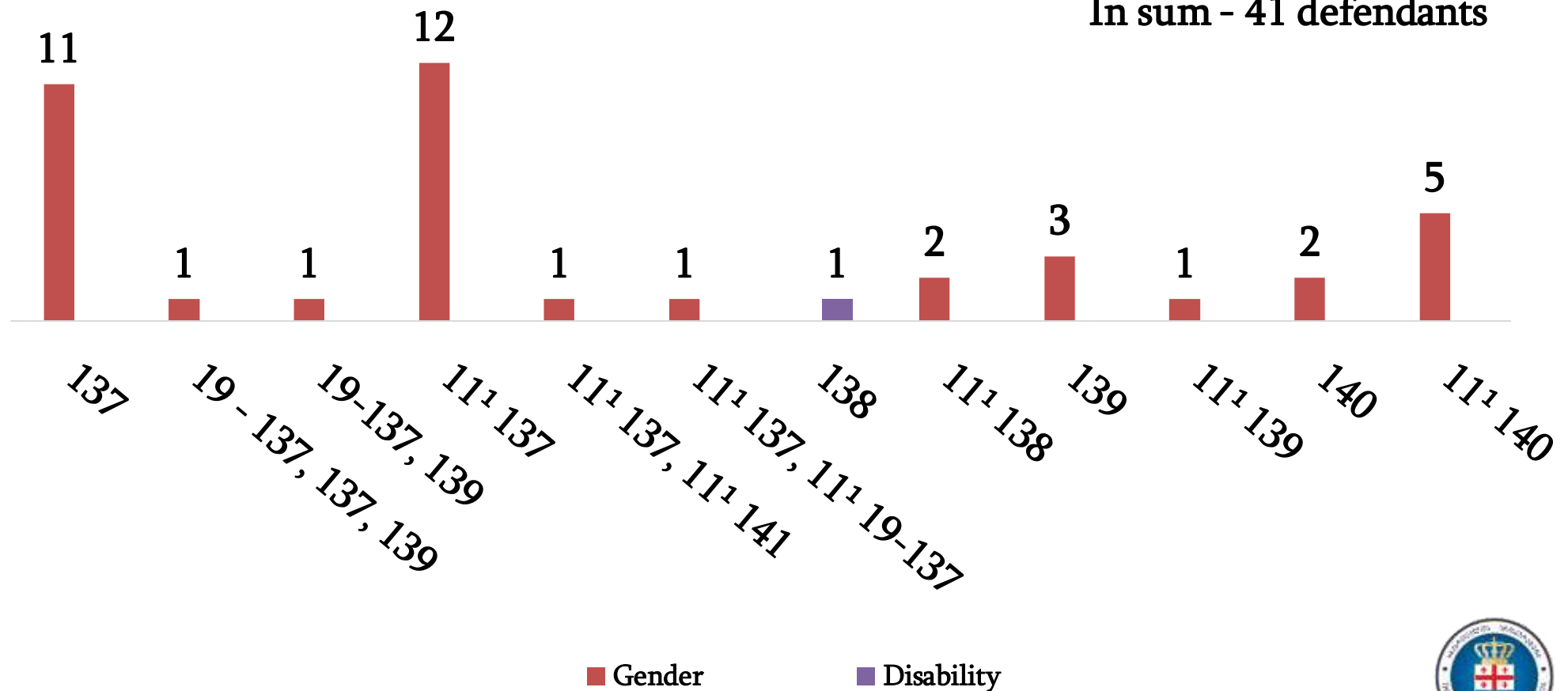
Intersectional Discrimination



Legal Qualification of Crimes

2022

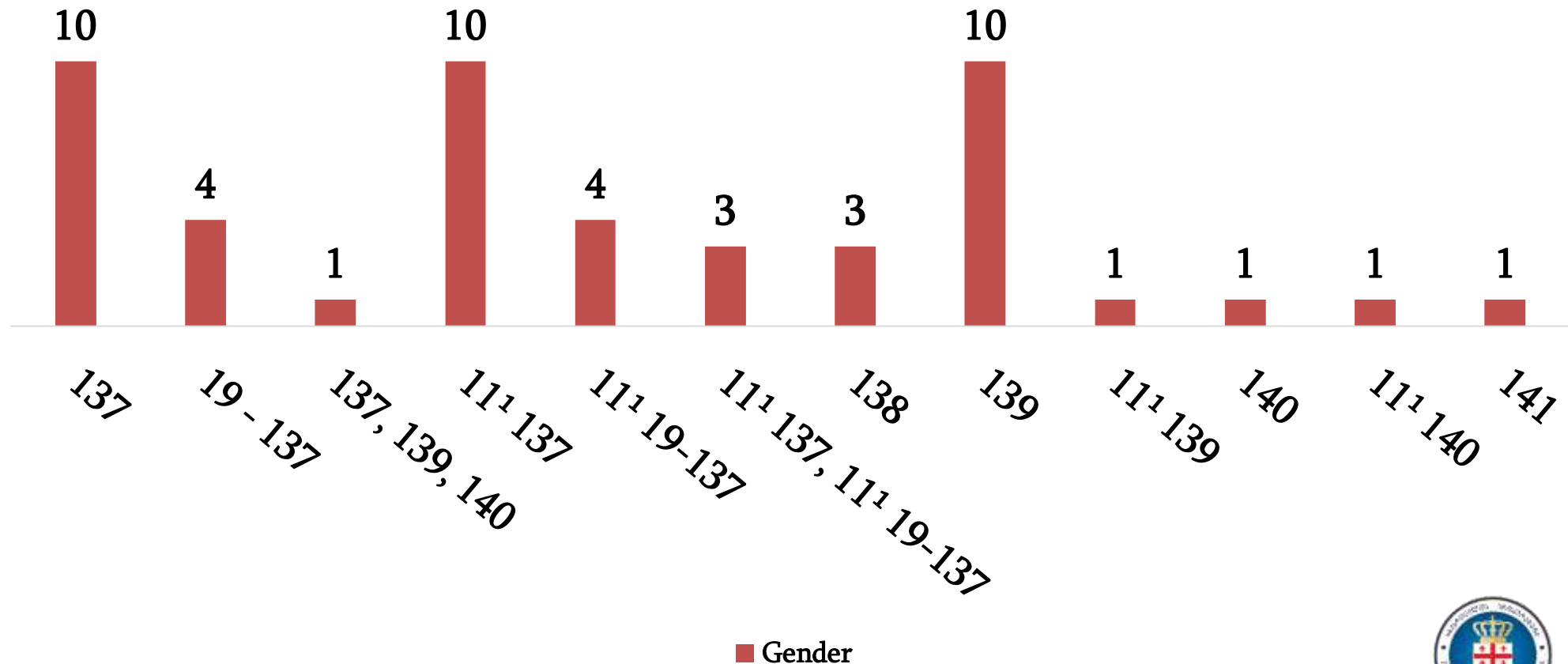
In sum - 41 defendants



Legal Qualification of Crimes

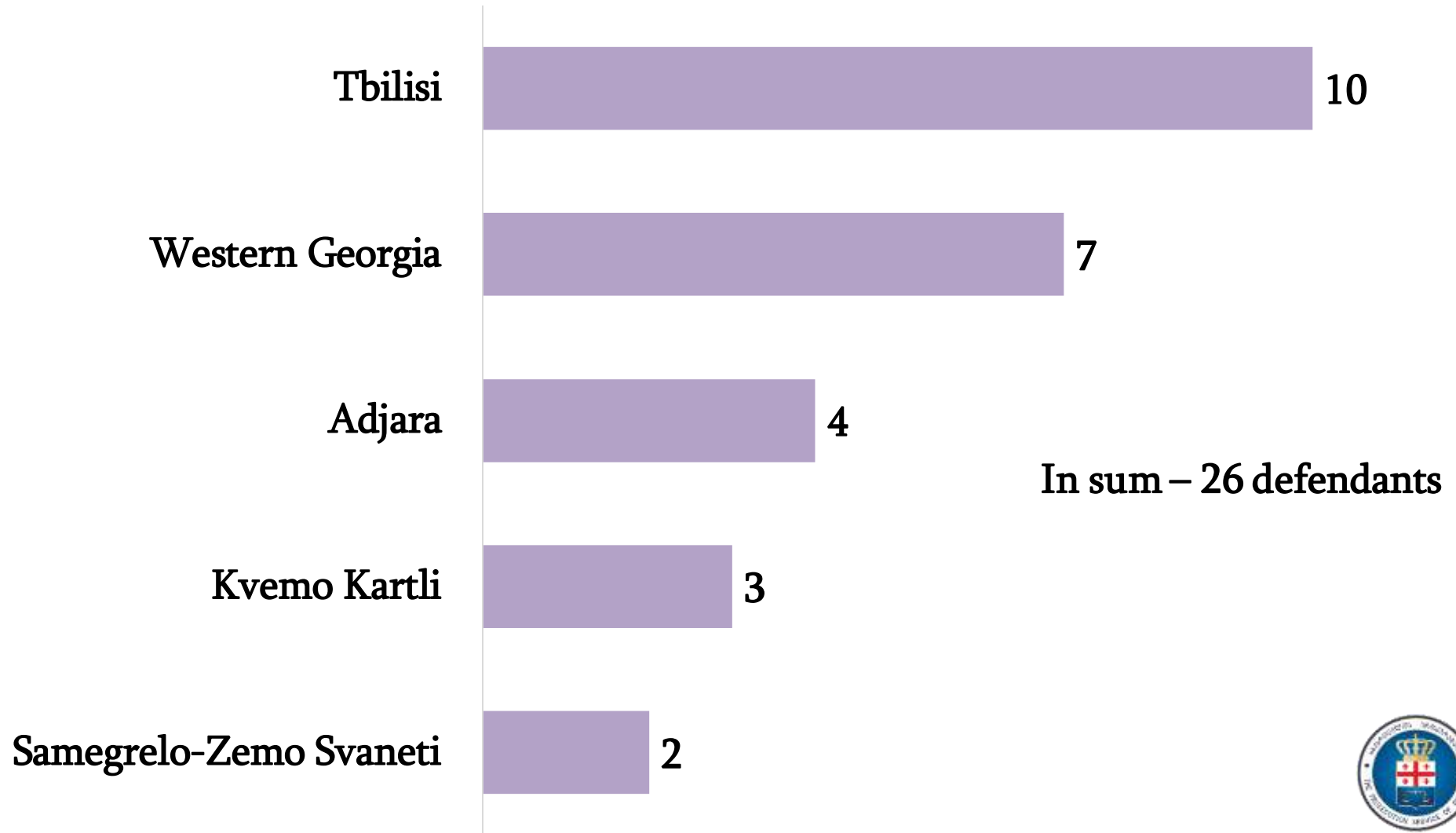
2023

In sum – 49 defendants



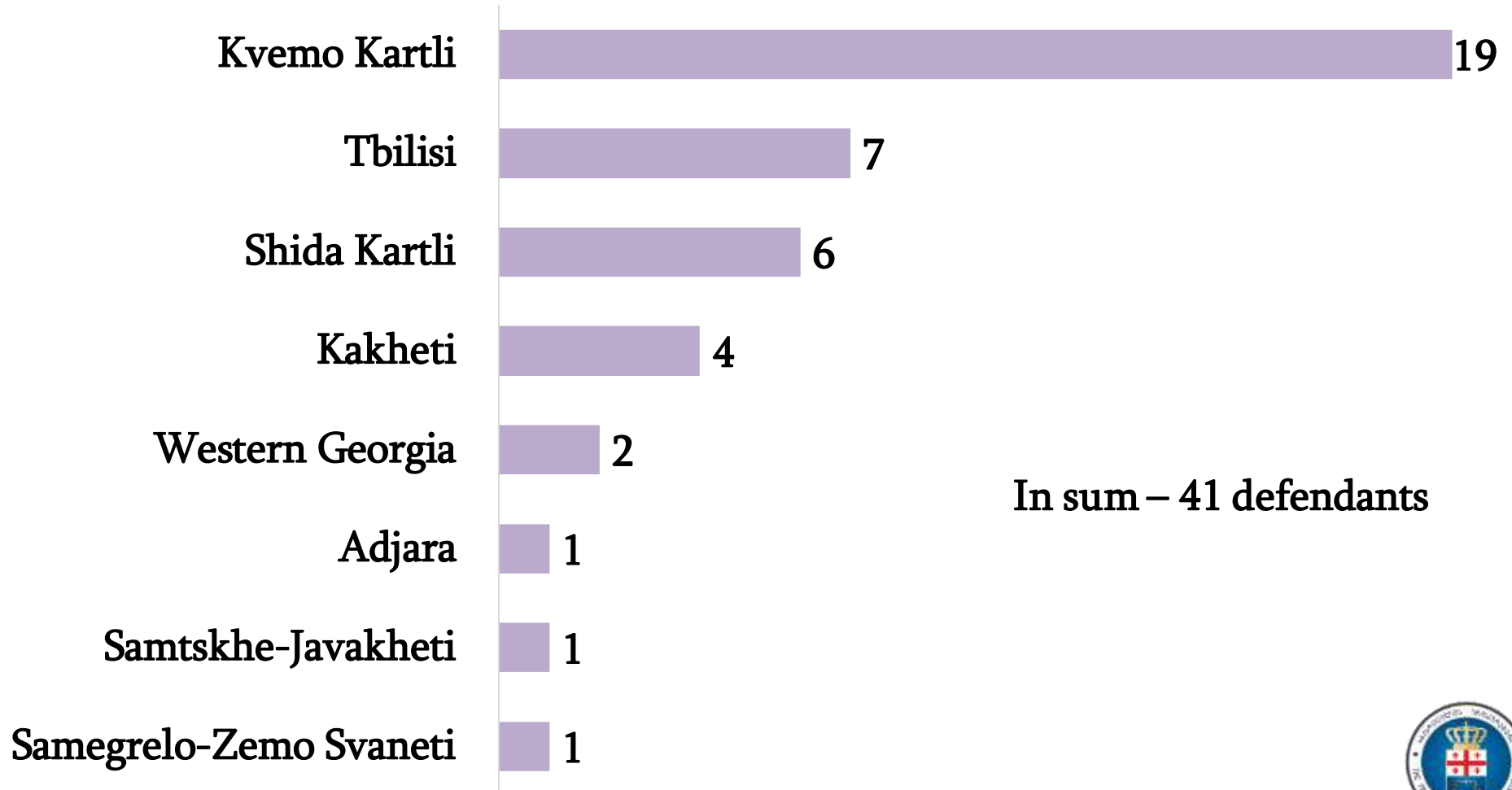
Territorial Distribution

2021



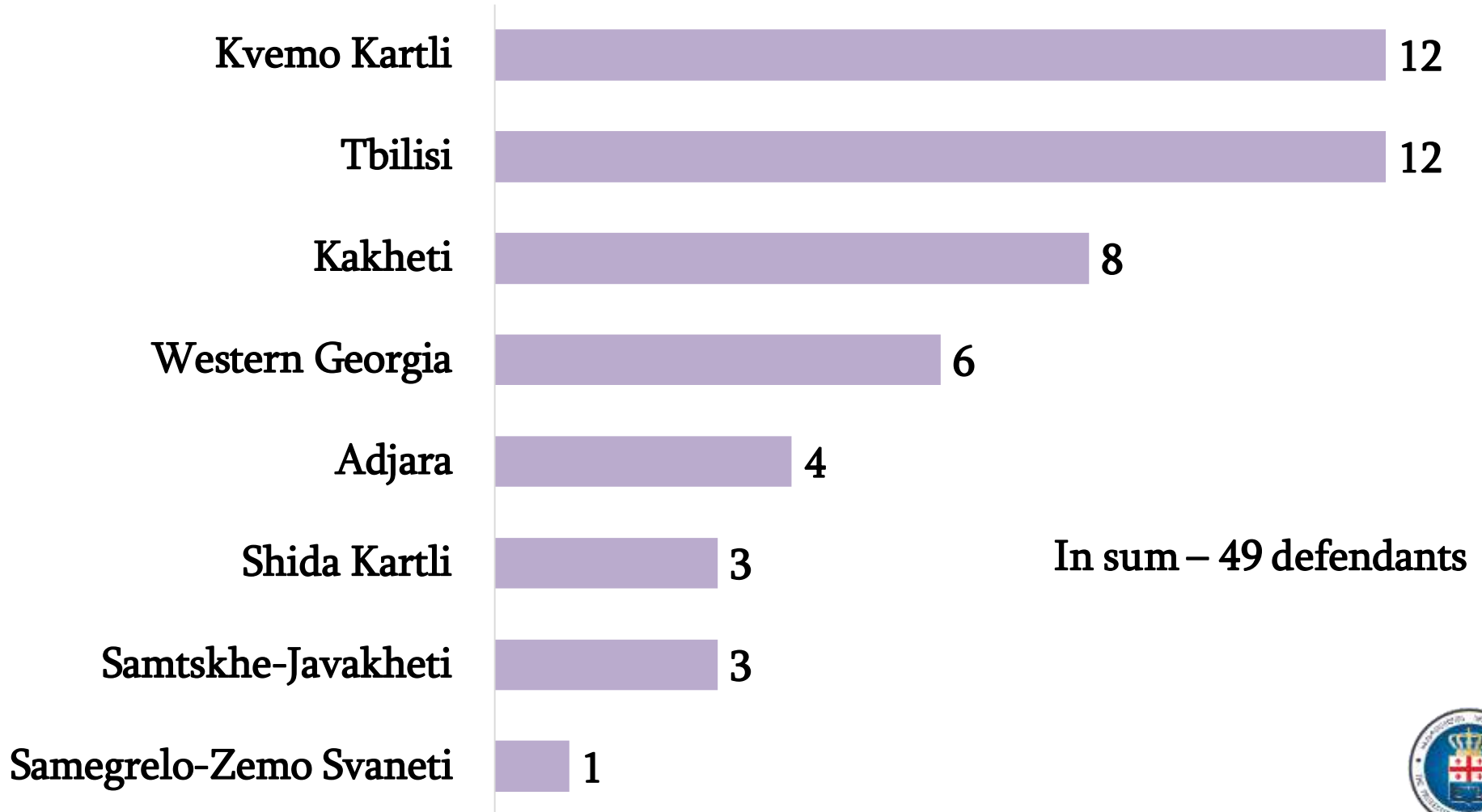
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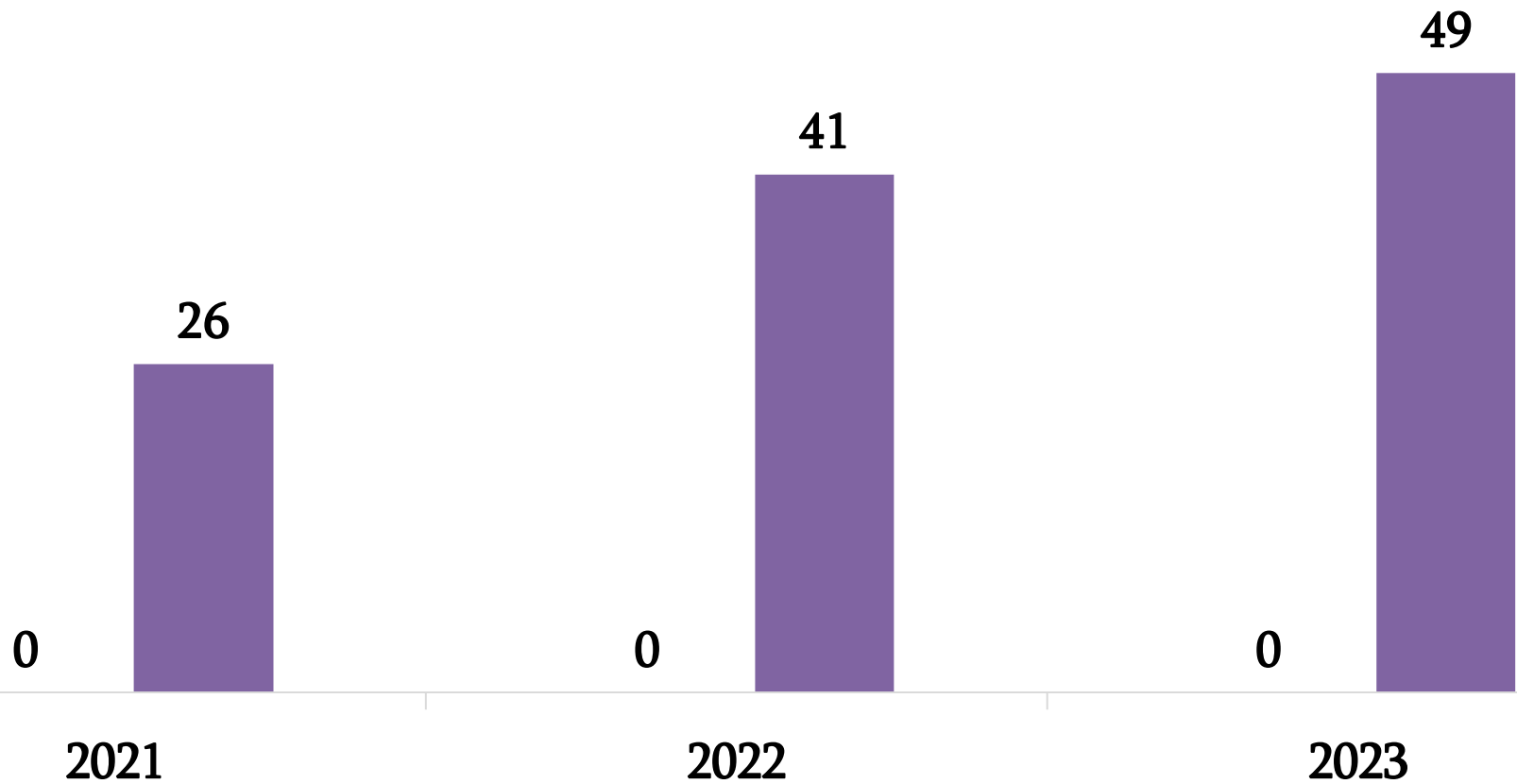


Territorial Distribution

2023



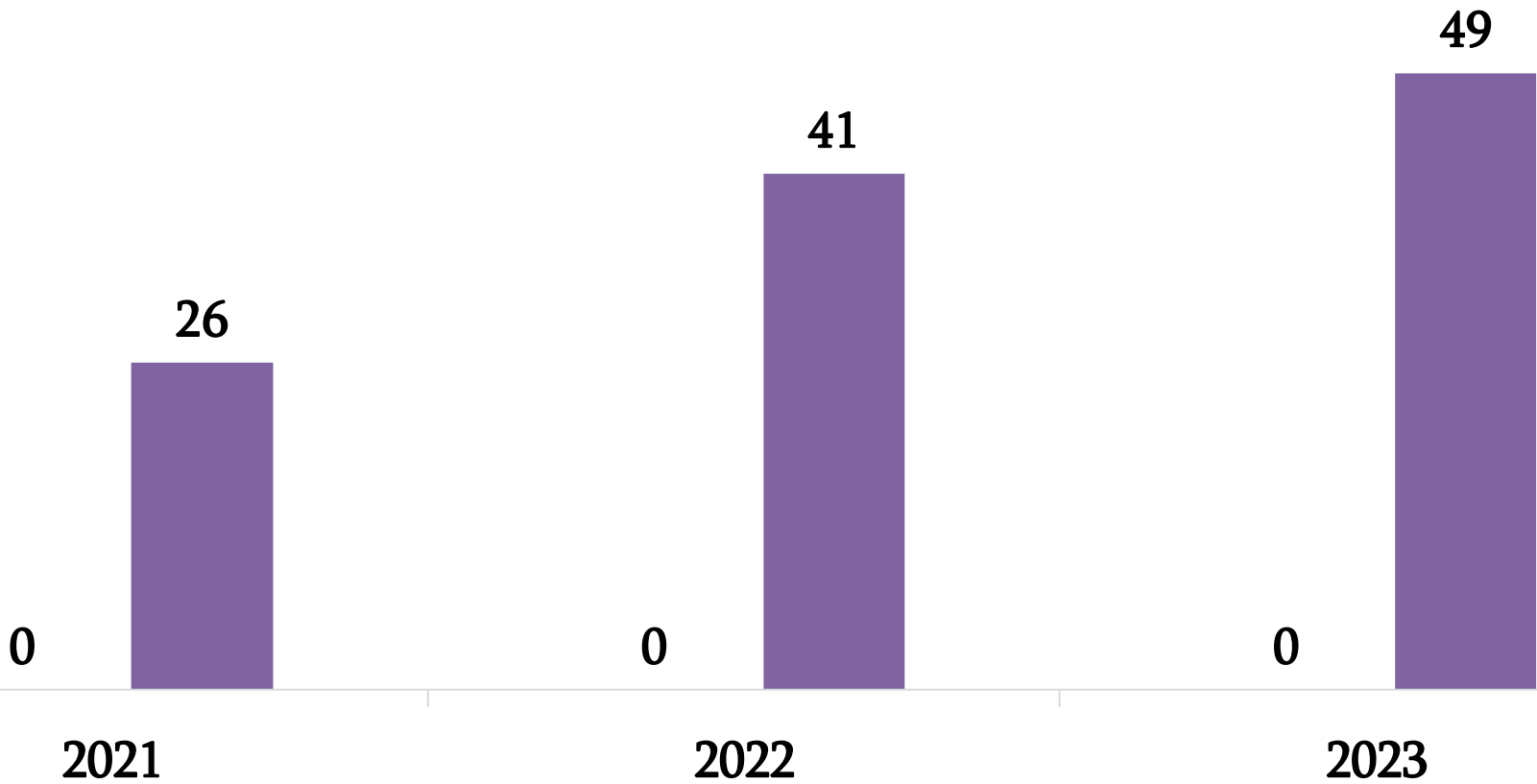
Defendants' Age



■ Under 18 ■ Over 18



Defendants' sex

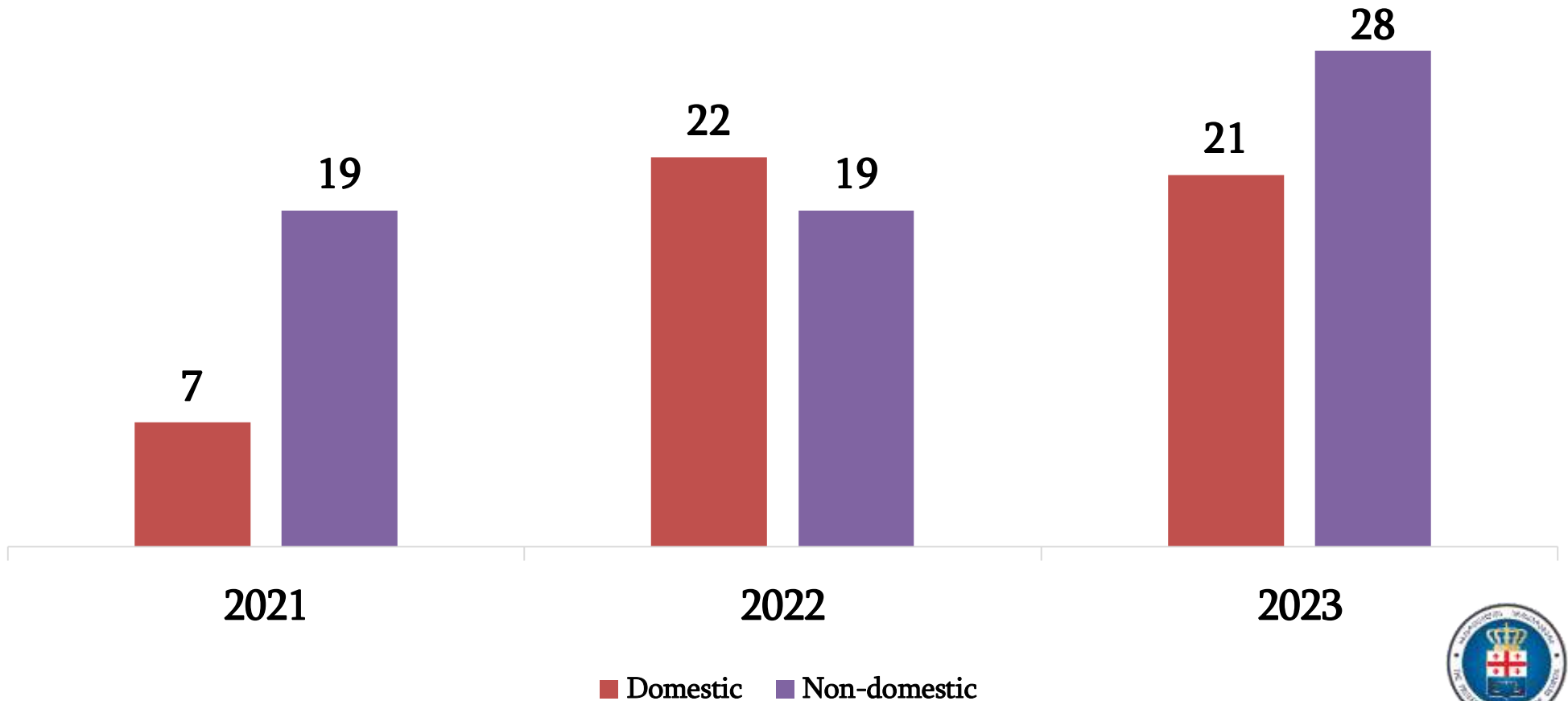


■ Female ■ Male

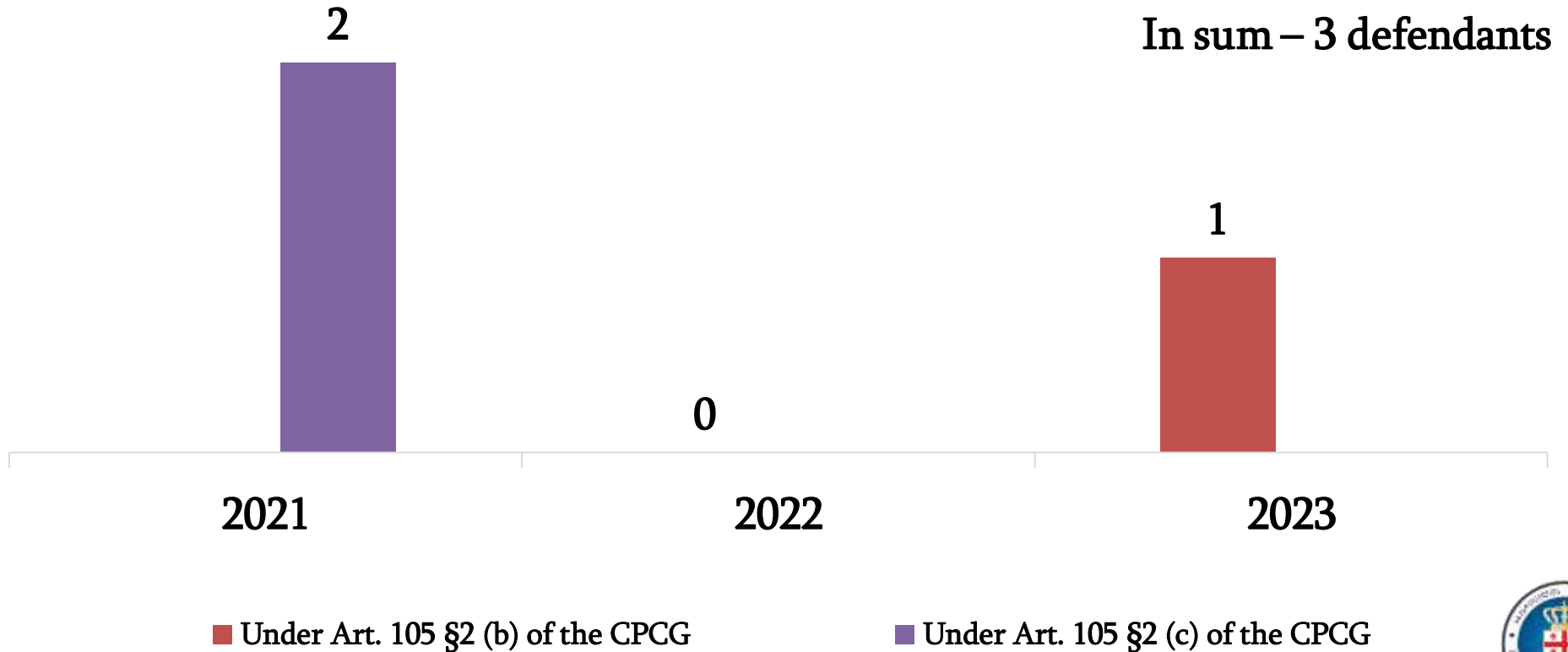


The Intolerance Motive in Domestic and Non-domestic Crimes of Sexual Abuse

Defendants



Termination of Prosecution on Intolerance-motivated Sexual Abuse Crimes



The Intolerance Motive in Sexual Abuse Crimes

Victims



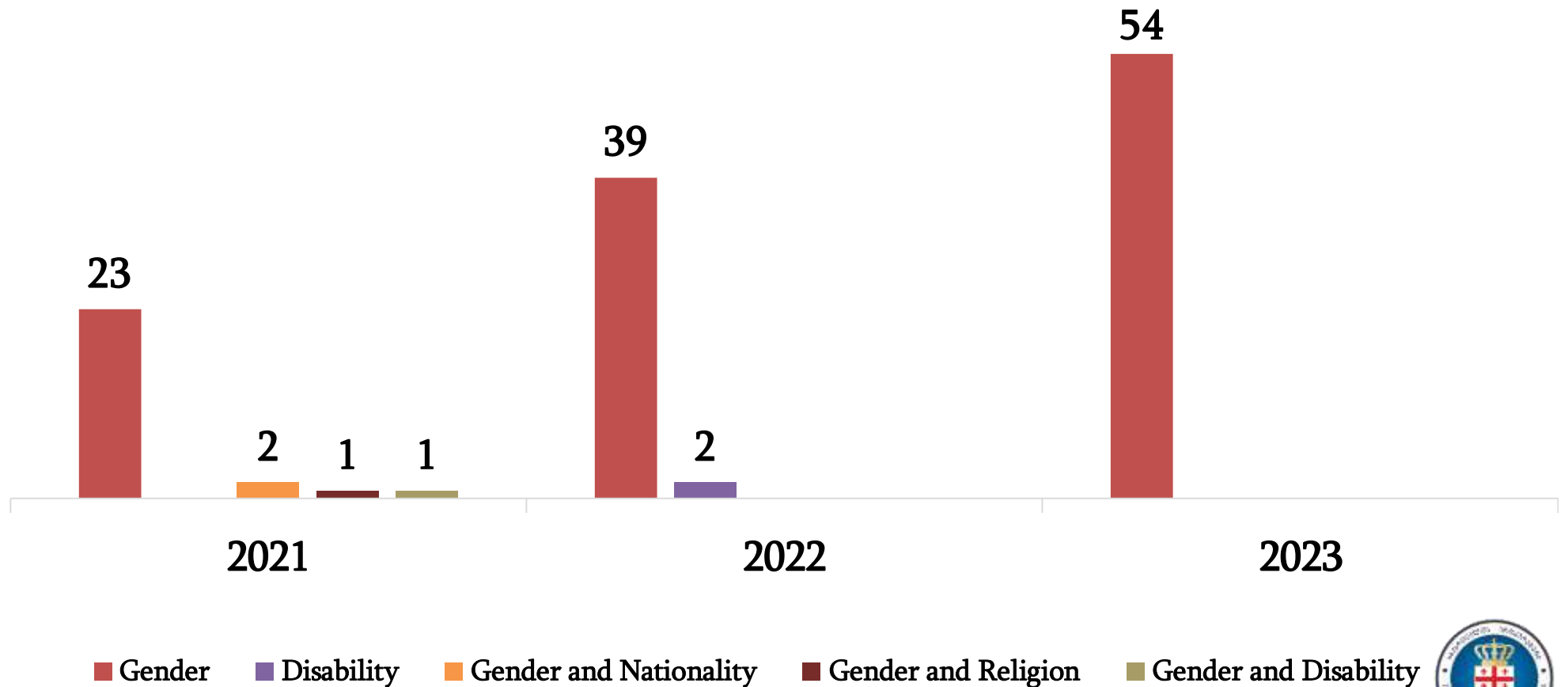
■ *Total number of victims for sexual abuse crimes*

■ *Number of victims for intolerance-motivated sexual abuse crimes*



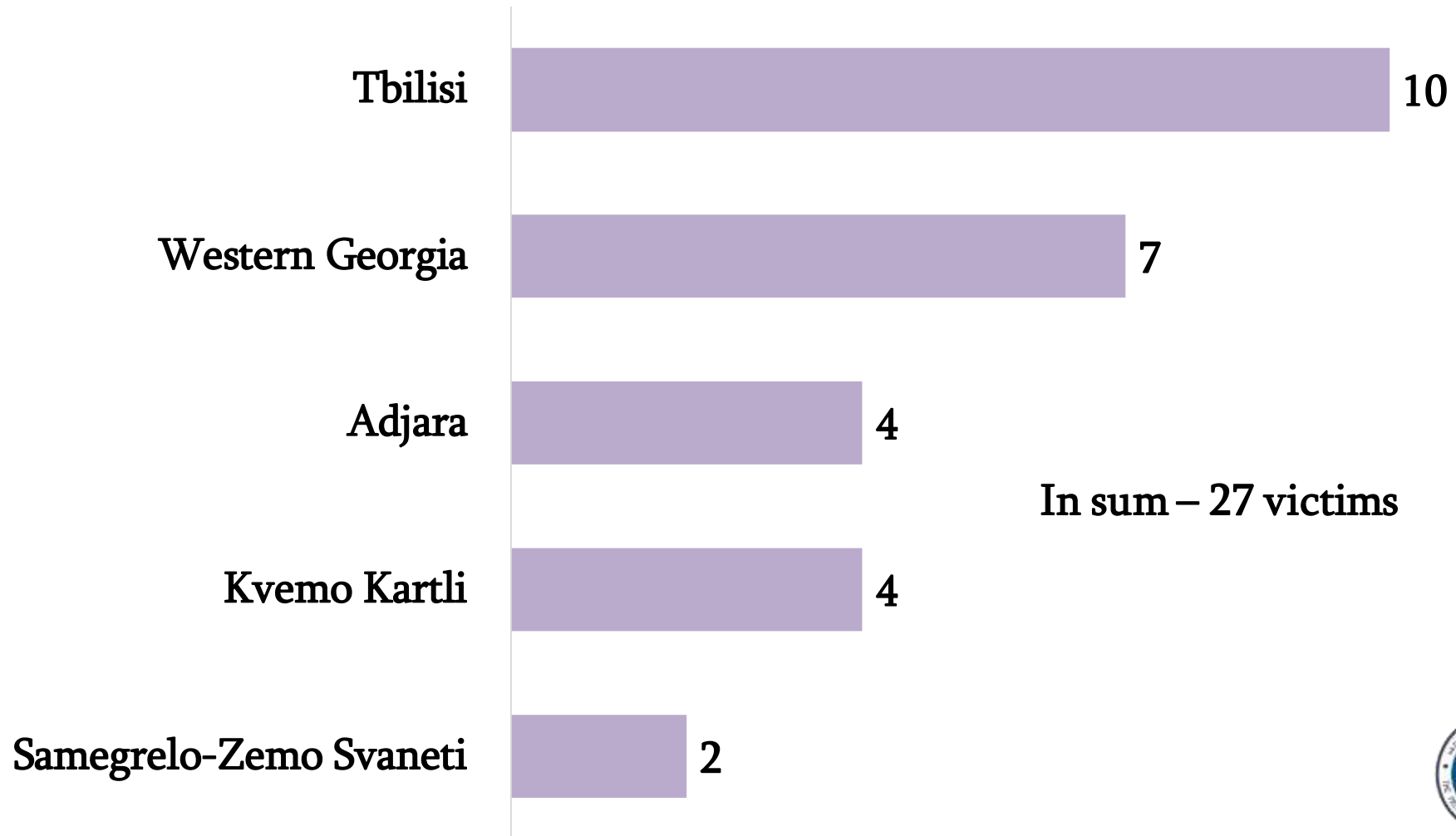
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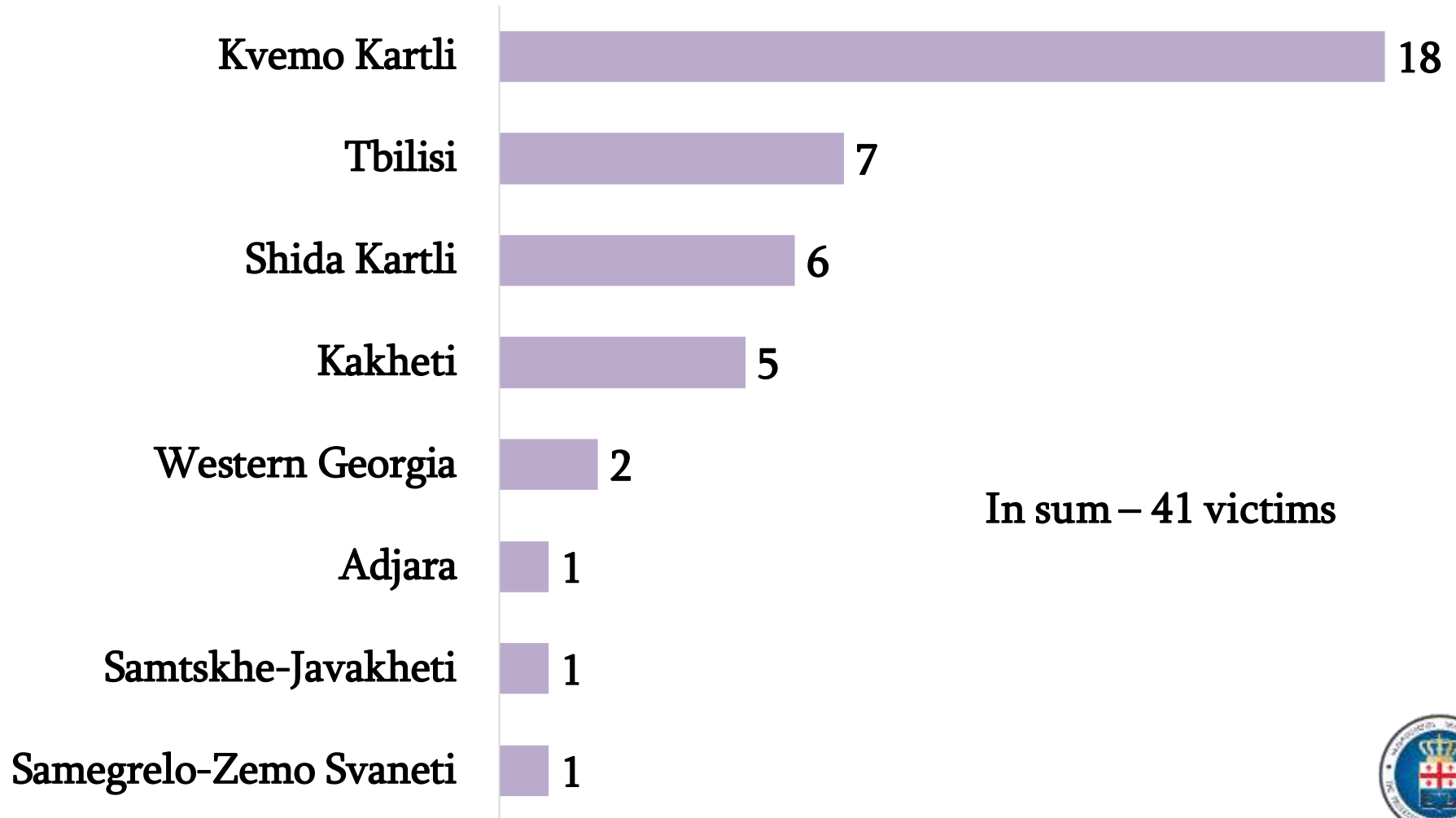
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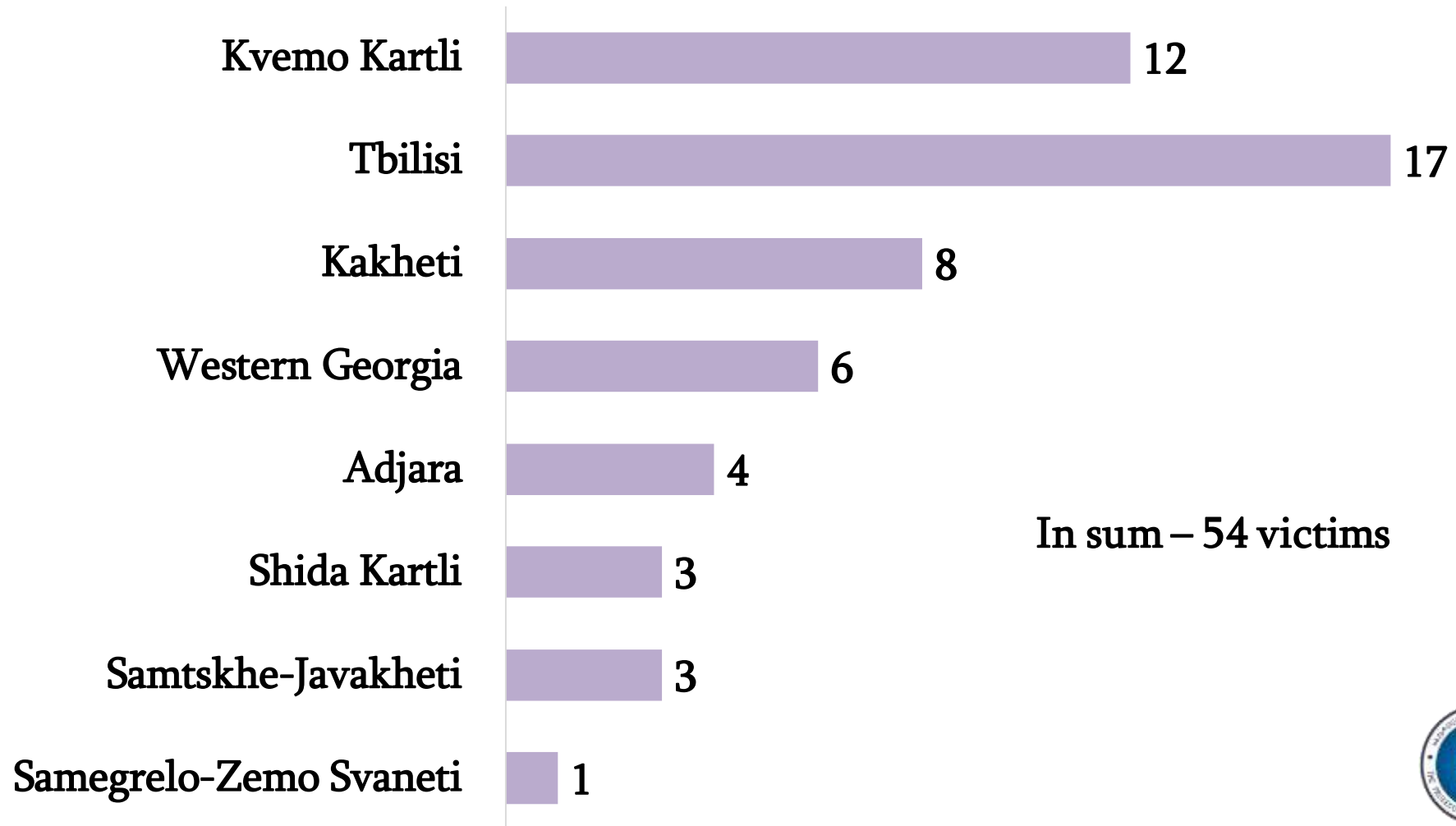
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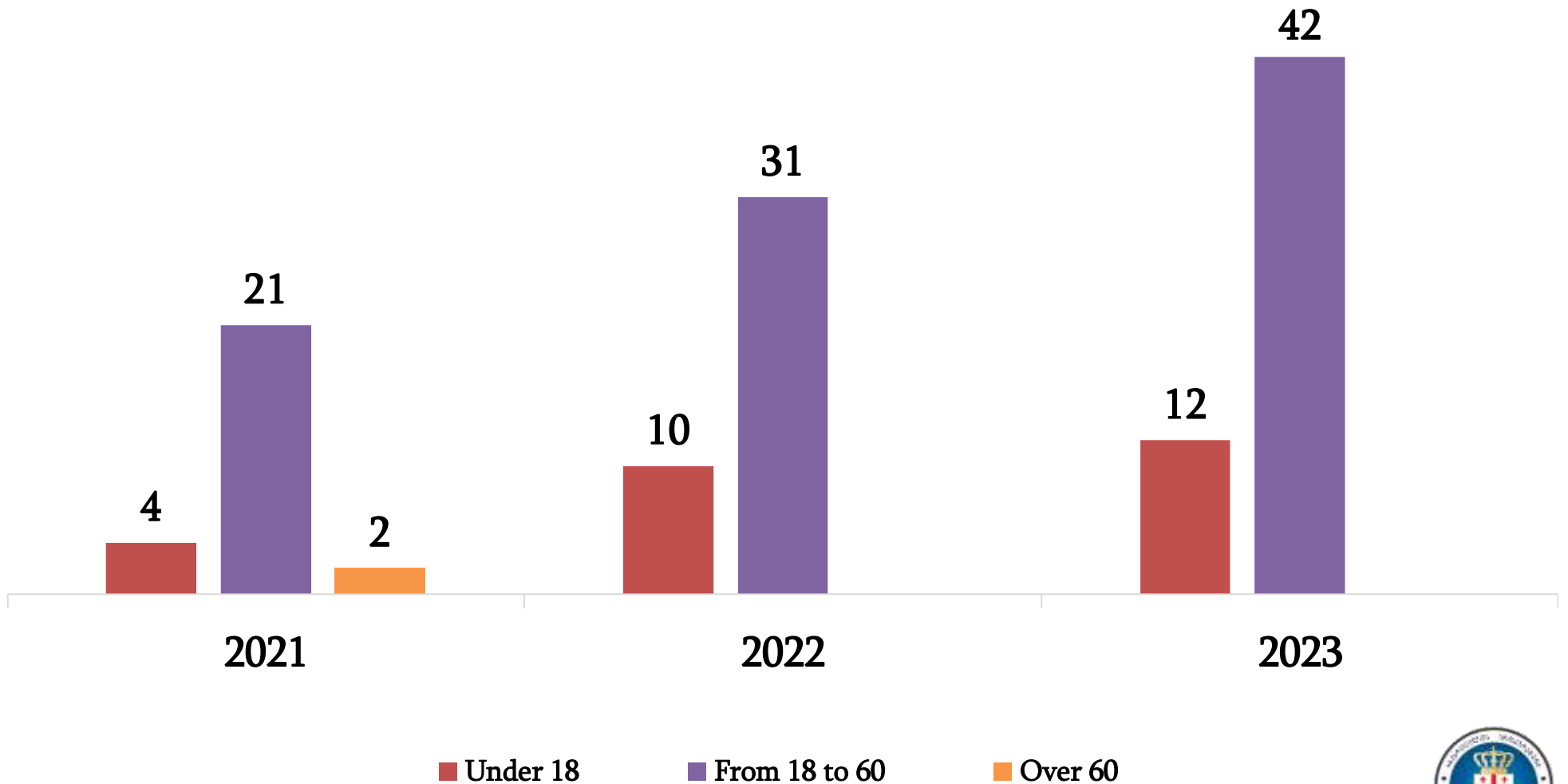


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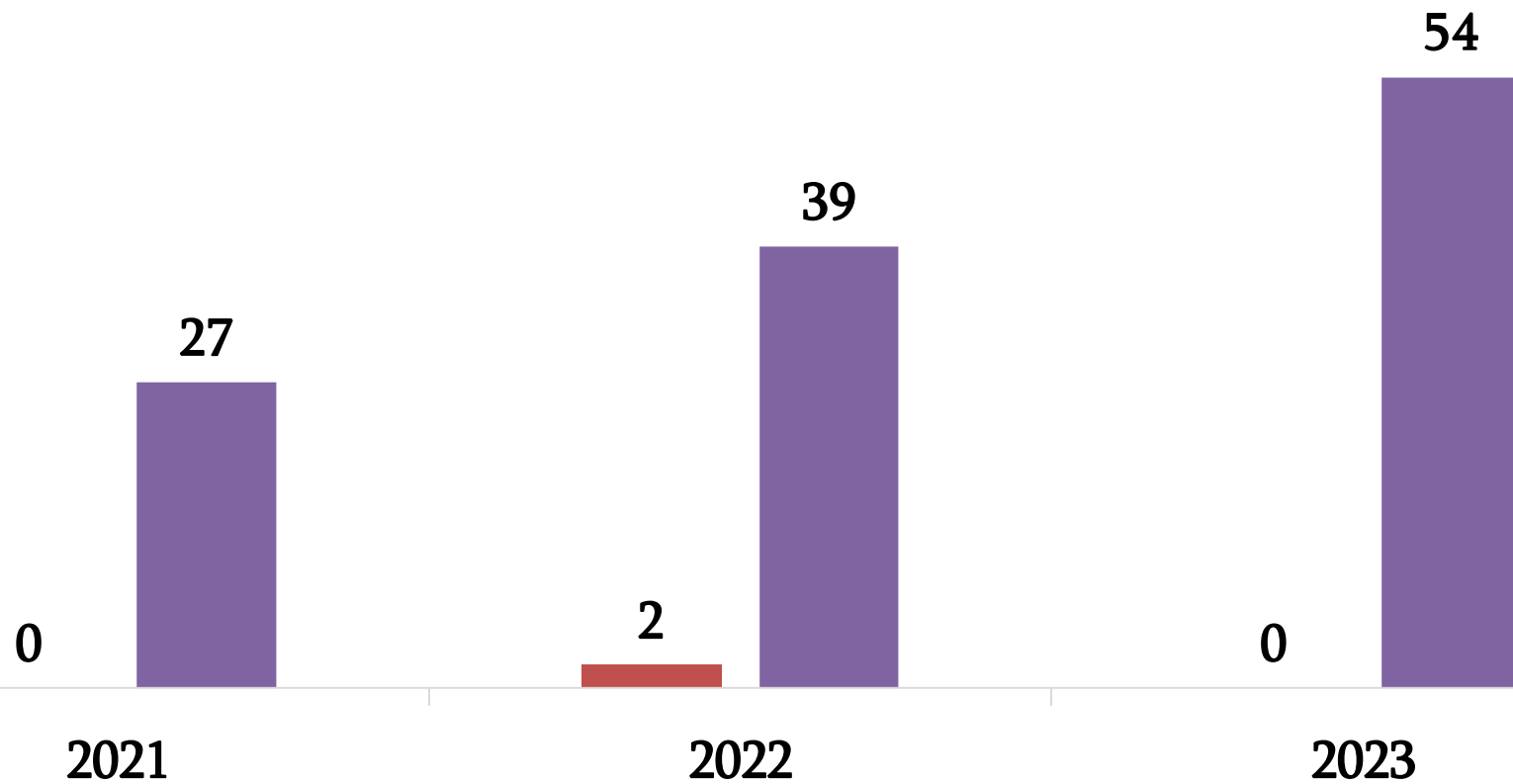
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Victims' Age



Victims' Sex

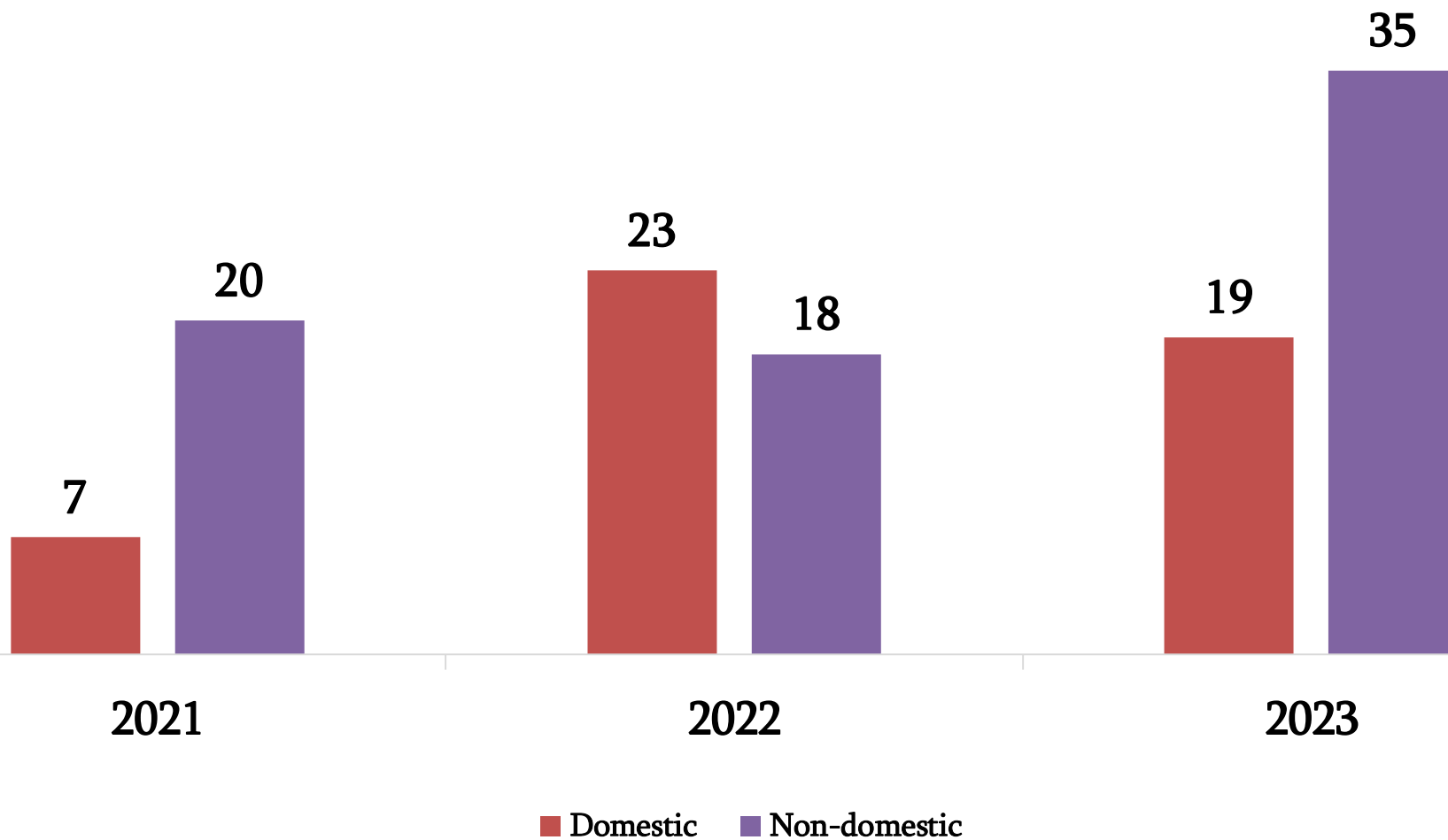


Male Female



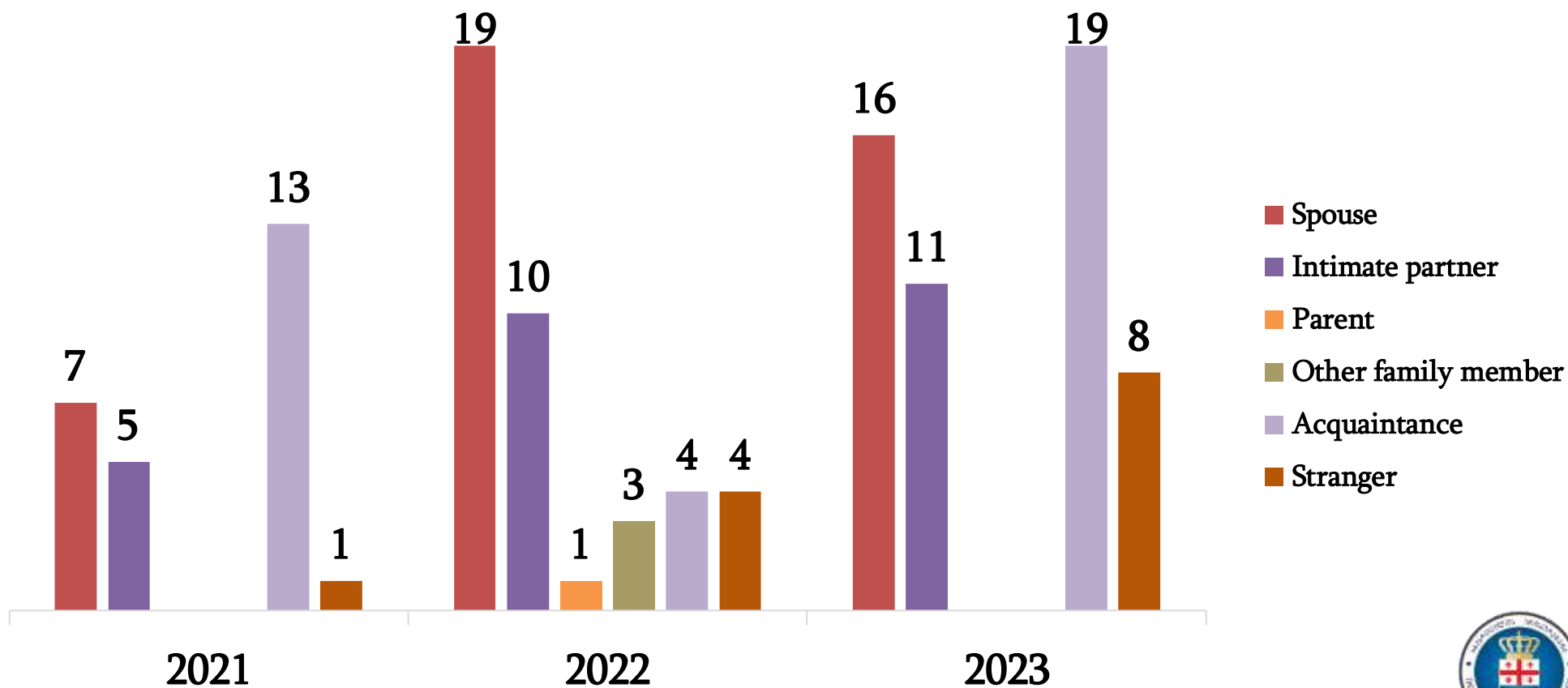
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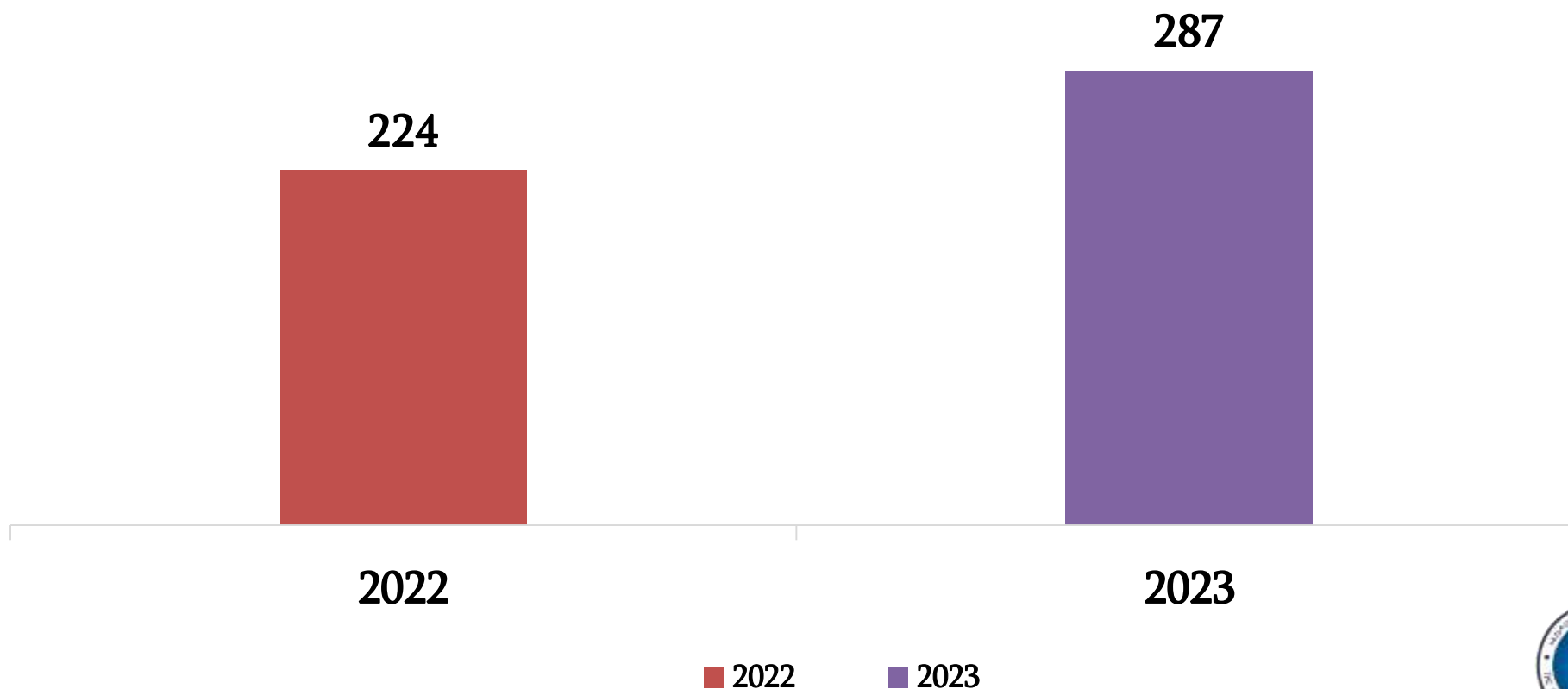
Social Connections

Between the Defendant and the Victim



Involvement of Witness and Victim Coordinator in Sexual Abuse Crimes

Total number of victims and witnesses



Trends

- In 2021-2023, for crimes against sexual freedom and sexual inviolability prosecution was launched against a total of **885** individuals, and **941** individuals were granted victim status;
- In 2021-2023, for intolerance-motivated crimes against sexual freedom and sexual inviolability prosecution was launched against a total of **116** individuals, and **122** individuals were granted victim status;
- In comparison to the figure of 2021, the 2022 prosecution rate on intolerance-motivated sexual abuse crimes has increased by **57,6%** and the 2023 rate - by **88,4%**;
- In comparison to the figure of 2021, the 2022 rate of granting victim status on intolerance-motivated sexual abuse crimes has increased by **51,8%**, and the 2023 rate - by **100%**;
- In 2021, **15.3 %** of defendants prosecuted for intolerance-motivated sexual abuse had committed respective crimes with intersectional discrimination motive, i.e. - gender and nationality, gender and religion, gender and disability;
- In 2021-2023, **43.1%** of defendants prosecuted for intolerance-motivated sexual abuse had committed the crime against a family member;
- In 2021-2023, **36.2 %** of defendants prosecuted for intolerance-motivated sexual abuse had committed the crime against their spouses, and **22.4%** - against their intimate partners;
- In 2021-2023, all individuals prosecuted for intolerance-motivated sexual abuse crimes are adult males.



Trends

- The hate crime statistical data are processed on the basis of the updated memorandum of cooperation signed on October 5, 2023 between the Prosecutor's Office of Georgia, the Ministry of Internal Affairs, the Special Investigation Service, the Supreme Court and the National Statistics Office. <https://www.geostat.ge/media/57913/%E1%83%9B%E1%83%94%E1%83%9B%E1%83%9D%E1%83%A0%E1%83%90%E1%83%9C%E1%83%93%E1%83%A3%E1%83%9B%E1%83%98---GEO-.pdf>;
- Joint statistical reports of the hate crime for the years 2020-2023 have been published on the website of the National Statistics Office. <https://www.geostat.ge/ka/modules/categories/680/diskriminatsiis-nishnit-sheutsqnareblobis-motivit-chadenili-danashaulis-statistika>;
- Unified analysis of the hate crime statistics for 2021 and 2022 has been published on the website of the Prosecutor's Office of Georgia <https://shorturl.at/fxyGJ>;
- The analysis of crimes against sexual freedom and sexual inviolability is published on the website of the prosecutor's office of Georgia <https://pog.gov.ge/page/default/sqesobrivi-Tavisuflebisa-daxelsheuxeblobis-winaaRmdeg-mimarTuli-danashaulebi>;
- Analyzes of 2018-2023 on gender-based discrimination in cases of violence against women and domestic violence are published on the website of the Prosecutor's Office of Georgia <https://shorturl.at/nwOQ0>;
- The 2022-2023 reports of the Witness and Victim Coordinator Service are published on the website of the Prosecutor's Office of Georgia <https://pog.gov.ge/page/default/mowmisa-da-dazaralebulis-koordinatoris-samsaxuri>;
- Procedural supervision of investigation as well as prosecutorial activities on crimes against sexual freedom and sexual inviolability as well as on hate crimes, are conducted by specialized prosecutors;
- Statistical recording of cases of gender-based violence against women is carried out in accordance with the requirements of the Istanbul Convention - "THE BIG FIVE" standard.

Challenges

- Timely identification of the intolerance motive indicators in the cases of sexual abuse crimes and reflection of the intolerance motive in investigative/procedural documents;
- Examination of all possible motives for crime in order to identify intersectional discrimination;
- The victim's refusal to testify against the close relative.





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