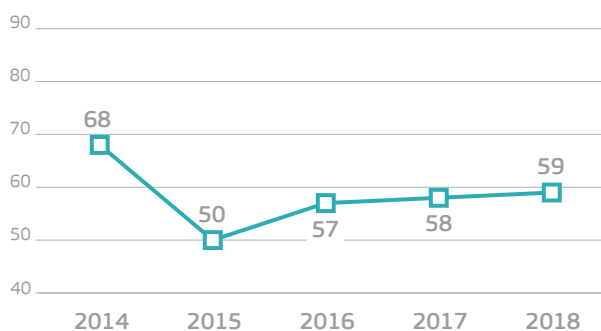


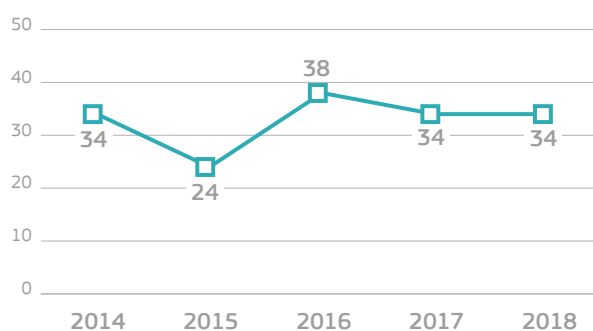
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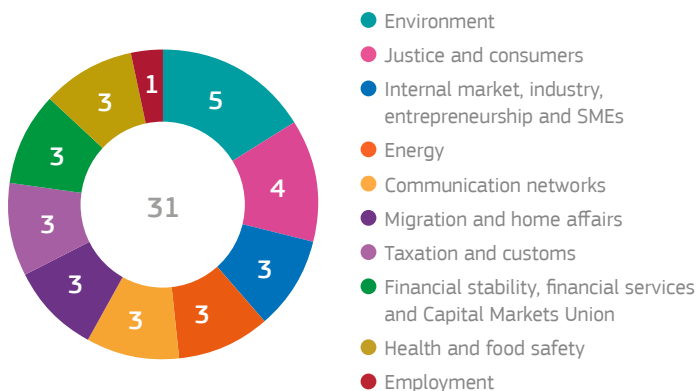
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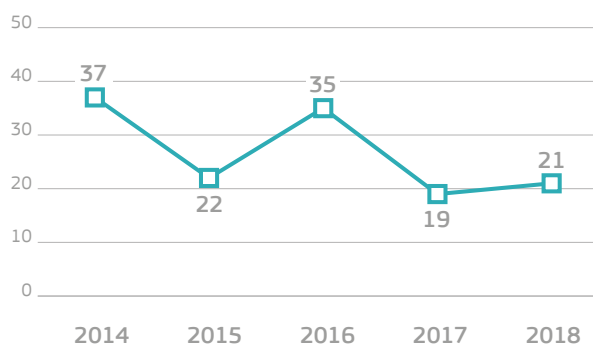
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New infringement cases opened in 2018: main policy areas



New late transposition infringement cases opened in 2018



1. Number of infringement cases due to failure to implement an EU Directive into national law on time.



Relevant rulings of the European Courts:

The Court ruled, amongst others, that Romania has breached the Landfill Directive by failing to close down 68 landfills which had not received authorisation to continue operating².

In preliminary rulings, the Court held, amongst others, that:

- The work performed by a foster parent under an employment contract with a public authority is not covered by the provisions of the Working Time Directive³.*
- The term 'spouse' in the Free Movement Directive also applies to a person of the same sex as the EU citizen to whom he or she is married. The obligation for a Member State to recognise a same-sex marriage concluded in another Member State, for the sole purpose of granting a right of residence to a non-EU national, does not undermine the institution of marriage in the first Member State⁴.*

2. Council Directive [1999/31/EC](#), Commission v Romania, [C-301/17](#).

3. [Sindicatul Familia Constanța and Others, C-147/17](#).

4. [Coman, C-673/16](#).