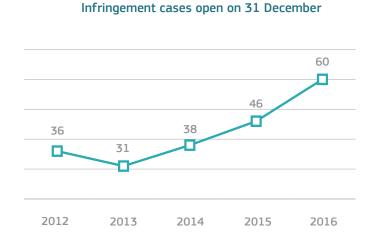
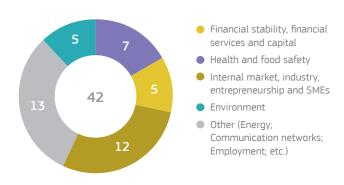


New complaints against the Czech Republic continued to increase in 2016, reaching their highest level in 5 years. Open infringement cases also continued their steady rise since 2013. New infringement cases for late transposition rose to almost double their 2015 level. By contrast, the number of new EU Pilot files continued falling from its 2013 peak, hitting its lowest point since 2012.



New infringement cases opened in 2016: main policy areas





New late transposition infringement cases

New EU Pilot files opened





## Relevant rulings of the European Courts

In preliminary rulings, the Court ruled, amongst others, that Directive 2003/95/EC does not preclude national legislation that requires individuals to complete periodic training of a specified duration as a condition for carrying out a driving activity in circumstances where the individuals concerned were exempted from the obligation laid down in the Directive to obtain an initial qualification.