The National Anticorruption Directorate (DNA) is a prosecutor's office specialized in combating high and medium level corruption. It was set up in September 2002, in the context of the negotiations on Romania's accession to the European Union and following the ratification of the Criminal Law Convention on Corruption, adopted by the Council of Europe.

DNA is a part of the Public Ministry (Prosecution Service of Romania). It is organized as an autonomous structure at the level of the Prosecutors Office attached to the High Court of Cassation and Justice.

With its jurisdiction covers the whole country, DNA has a central structure in Bucharest, as well as a territorial one. The central structure is divided in sections, services and units. The territorial structure of DNA consists of 14 territorial services located in the cities where there are courts of appeal.

DNA investigations are carried out by prosecutors, assisted in their work by police officers, as well as economic, financial, banking, customs, IT and other experts.

DNA staff composition (total of 862):

- **195** prosecutors (**76%** occupied)
- **290** police officers (**87%** occupied)
- 84 experts (80% occupied)
- 293 auxiliary and administrative staff

In 2021, DNA achieved remarkable results. High performance was recorded in most statistical indicators, in terms of both quantity and quality, including the duration of case resolution, the number of cases sent to trial, and the percentage of convicted defendants. Successful investigations were conducted and finalized regarding corruption and corruption-related offences in the health sector, public procurement and among central and local public administration. As a result, a number of dignitaries, senior state officials, directors of public authorities, administrations and agencies, etc. were sent to trial.

Statistical Indicators in 2021:

- Total number of cases: **6076** out of which **2899** solved
- Cases sent to trial:
- 317 concerning 730 defendants
- **255** concerning **427** defendants
- Final conviction decisions:Interim seizure measures:
- €259 million
- Confiscation decisions: €85 million

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Persons in leading or other important positions prosecuted in 2021

- 7 members of the Romanian Parliament, including a President of the Chamber of Deputies.
- 2 Ministers and 1 Former Prime Minister
- 3 Secretaries and 1 Undersecretary of State
- 1 Prefect
- 2 Presidents and 1 Vice-President of County Councils
- 19 Mayors and 1 Deputy Mayor
- 54 Police Officers
- 17 Military
- 15 Directors of Public Institutions
- 2 Presidents of National Health Insurance Authority and 4 Hospital Managers

Persons in leading or other important positions convicted by the courts in 2021

- 4 members of the Romanian Parliament
- 2 County Council Presidents
- 1 Judge
- 13 employees of the Ministry of Internal Affairs
- 10 Mayors and 4 Deputy Mayors
- 28 directors of public institutions
- 8 persons from medical institutions, out of which 2 in management positions

(Source: DNA of Romania - <u>https://www.pna.ro/comunicat.xhtml?id=11031</u>)



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