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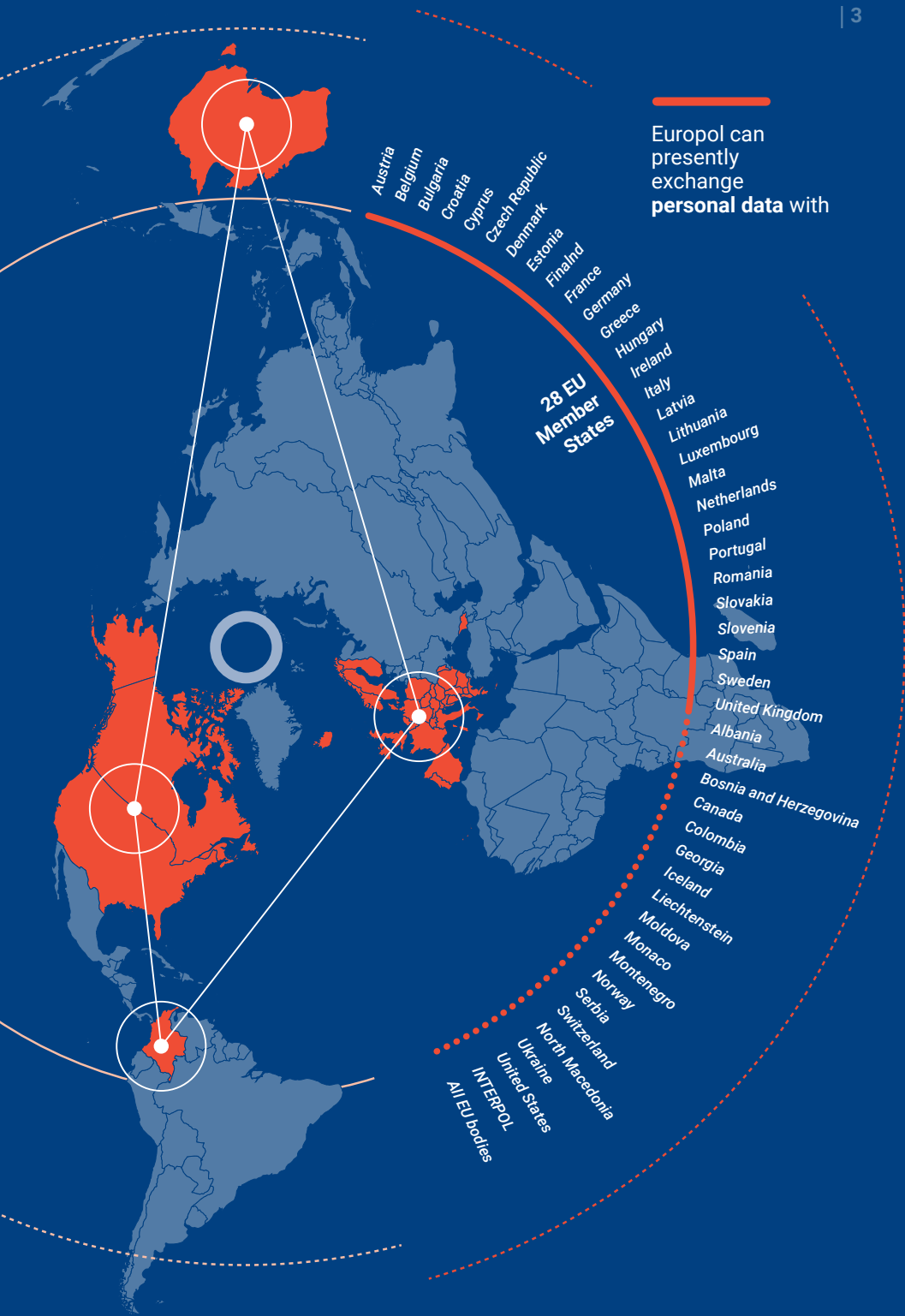
Europol in brief 2018



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Fighting crime across borders

Europol can exchange
**information except personal
data** with any country,
international organisation
and the private sector

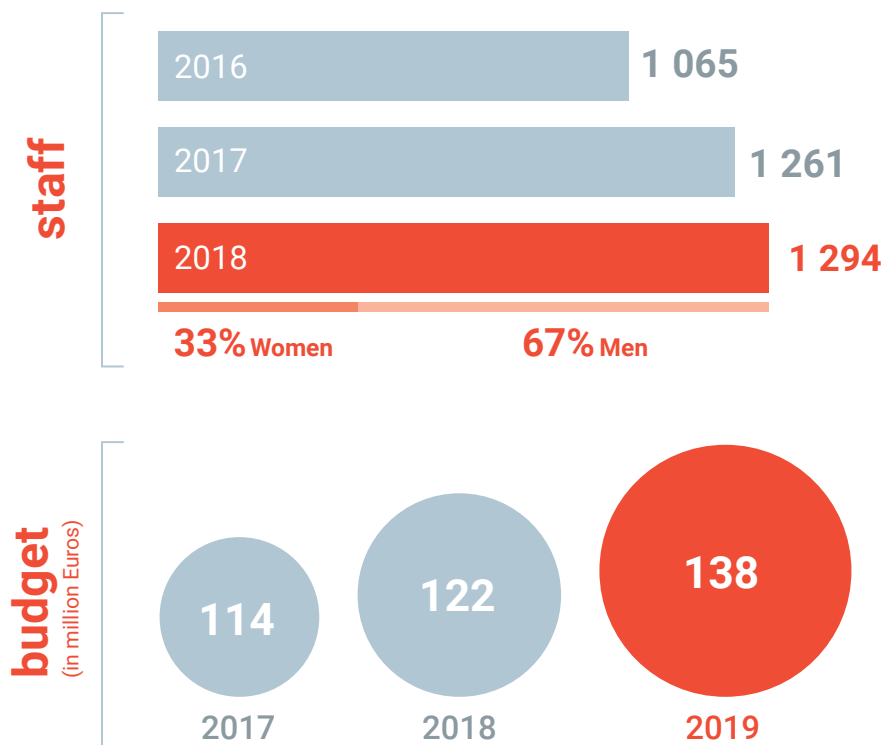


Europol: the EU's response to serious, organised crime and terrorism

The new Europol regulation, in force since 1 May 2017, established Europol as the European Union Agency for Law Enforcement Cooperation.

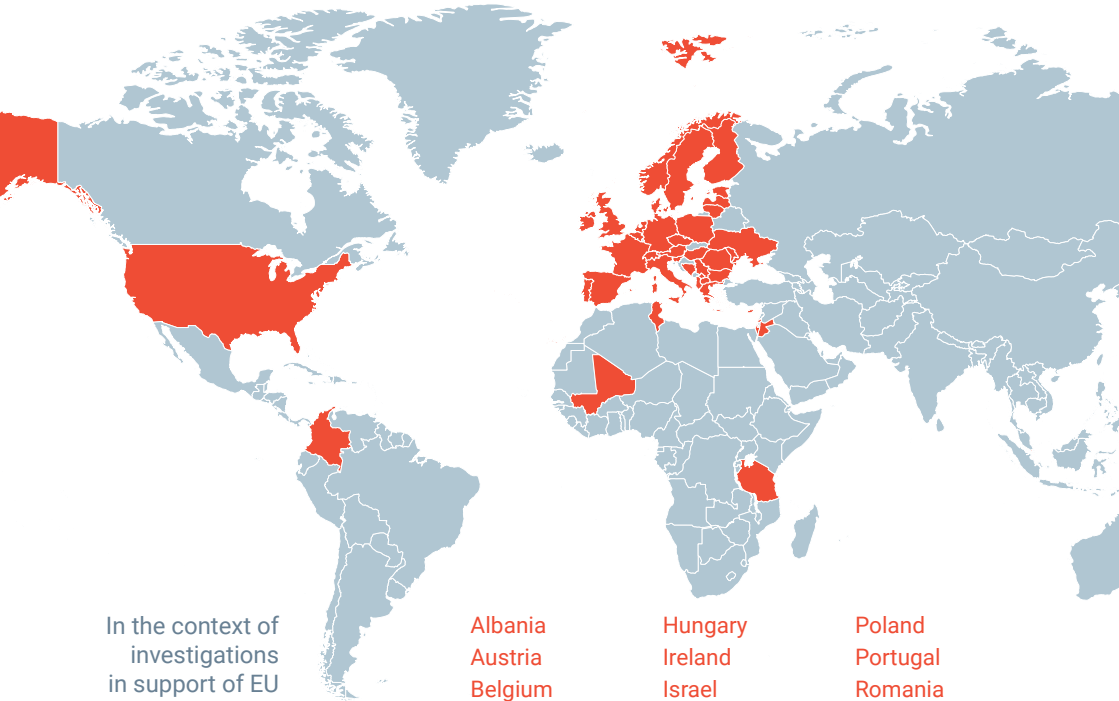
Europol supports cross-border investigations involving at least two Member States and targeting serious and organised crime, terrorism and crime affecting a common interest of the European Union.

Crime prevention is part of Europol's activities as a way to combat organised crime and mitigate the threats, particularly those originating online, to the EU and its citizens and businesses.



Supporting law enforcement in the field

Europol deploys staff in the field to support ongoing investigations and operations. This enables access to Europol's secure network from the spot.



In the context of investigations in support of EU Member States, mobile offices were used by Europol officials deployed to

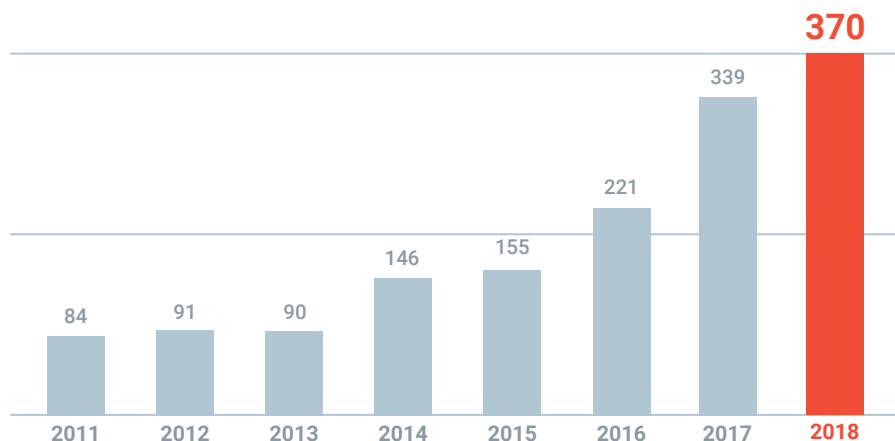
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countries

Albania
Austria
Belgium
Bosnia and Herzegovina
Bulgaria
Colombia
Cyprus
Czech Republic
Denmark
Estonia
Finland
France
Germany
Greece

Hungary
Ireland
Israel
Italy
Jordan
Kosovo*
Latvia
Lithuania
Mali
Malta
Moldova
Monaco
Netherlands
North Macedonia
Norway

Poland
Portugal
Romania
Serbia
Singapore
Slovenia
Spain
Sweden
Switzerland
Tanzania
Tunisia
Ukraine
United Kingdom
United States of America

Mobile office deployment



1 511

days on-the-spot support deployed to fight migrant smuggling (2 149 in 2017)

~15

days of deployment of the drug lab to assist the dismantling of illicit production sites and conduct technical investigations on drug production equipment

1 053

forensic examinations of forged documents and counterfeit currencies (196 different currencies, EUR 128, 729 documents, such as ID/driving licences/passports)

2 100

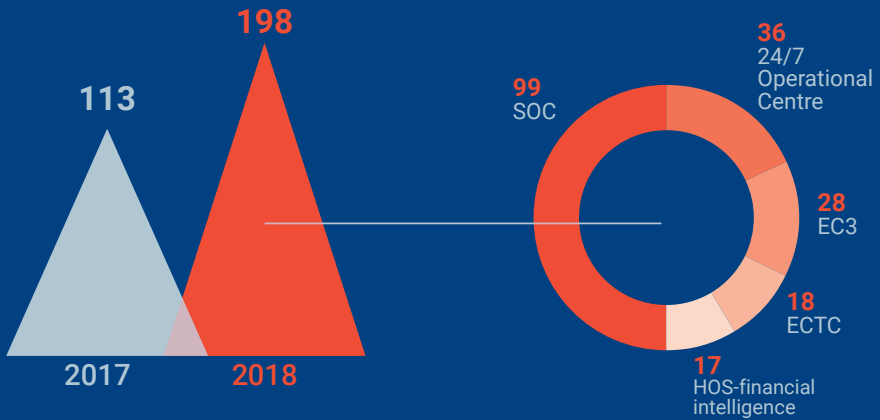
forensic jobs performed related to cybercrime investigations

155

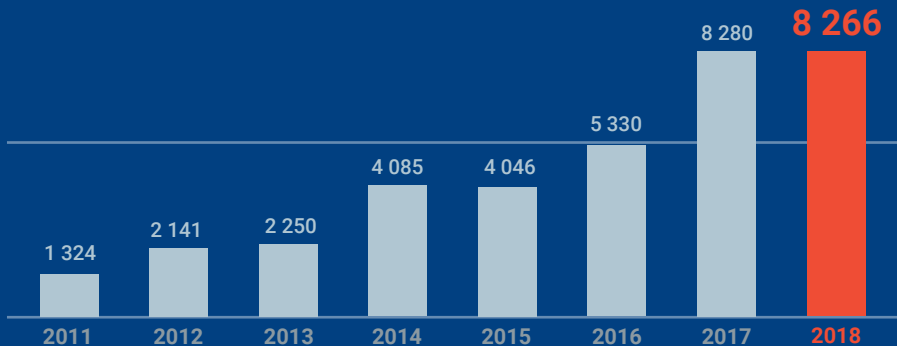
times the mobile device extraction kit was used

2018 operational highlights

Action days



Operational reports



8 266

operational reports produced

228

operational analysis reports

119 ESOCC	68 EC3
	32 ECTC
	9 HOS

6 824

Cross Match Reports/
Hit Notifications

368

financial intelligence
reports

846

intelligence packages

Excludes the 11 197 intelligence packages produced in the context of a cybercrime operation.

Cybercrime



Counter terrorism



Serious and organised crime



Financial intelligence

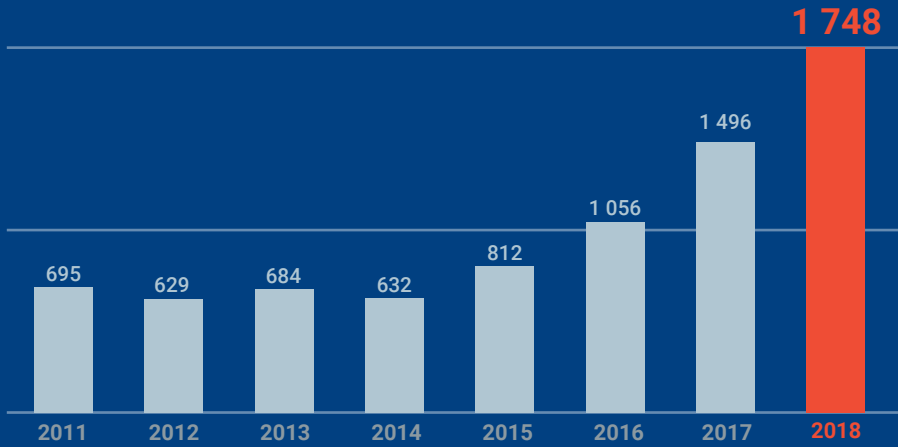


Hits on every 100 data checks requested



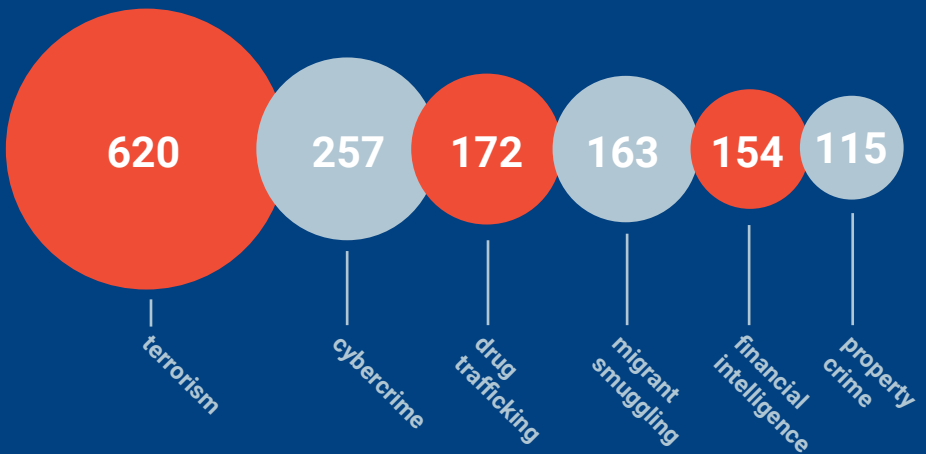
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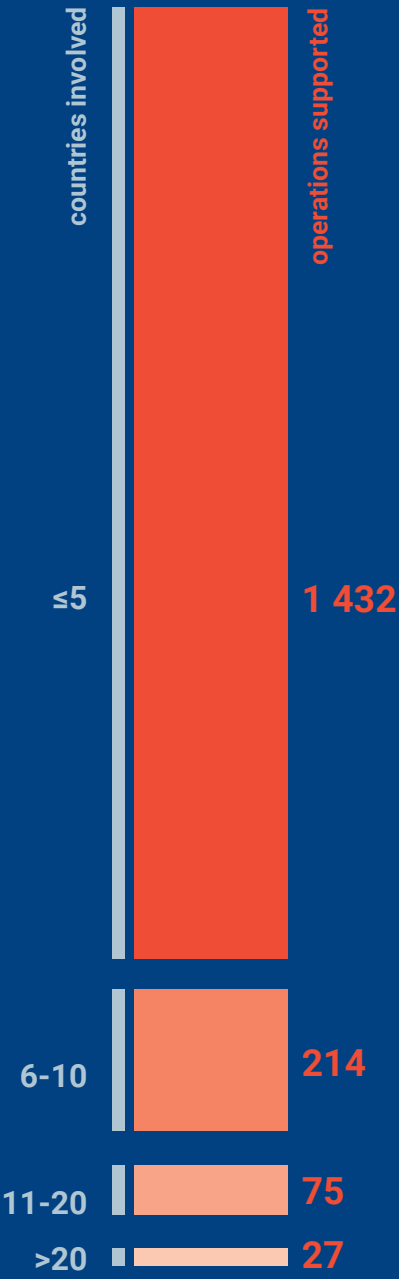
operations supported



top crime areas

(number of operations)





Operational meetings
funded by Europol



Joint Investigation Teams
supported by Europol



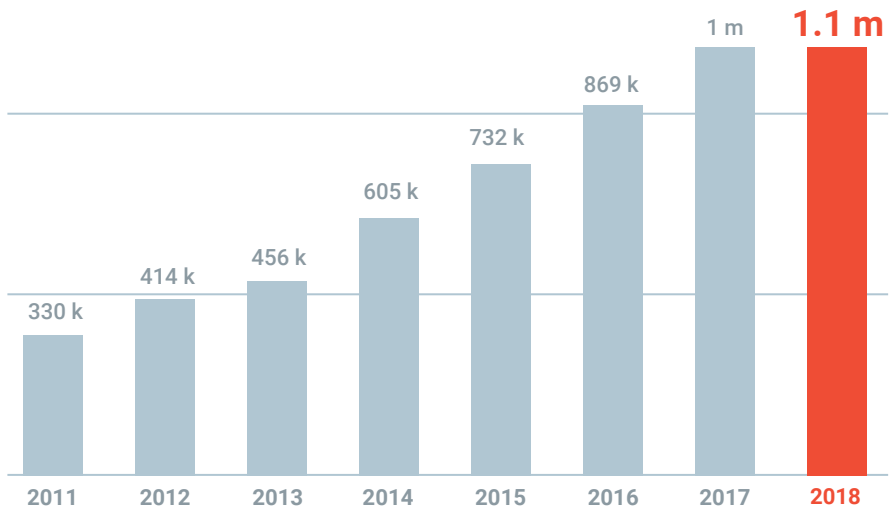
Europol's key analytical capabilities to support investigations

SIENA

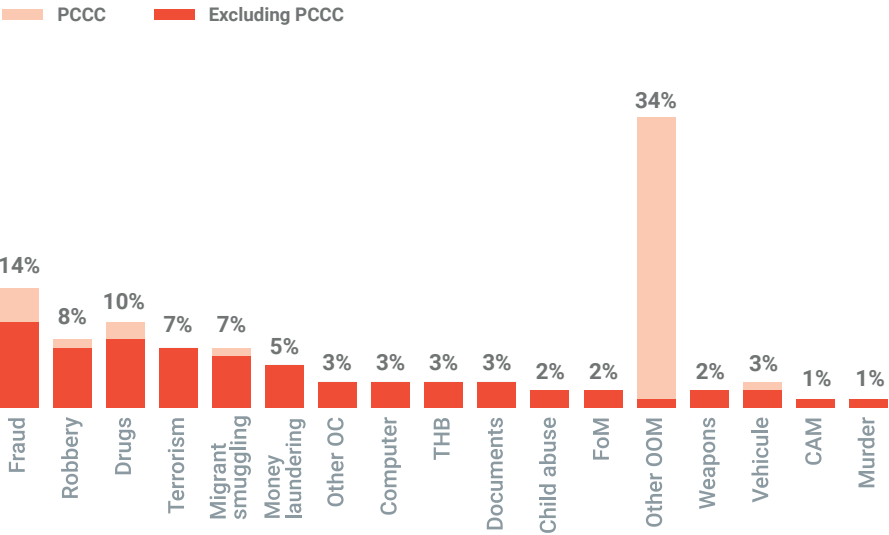
Europol's **Secure Information Exchange Network Application** is used to quickly exchange of operational and strategic crime related data.

1 445
secure lines provided

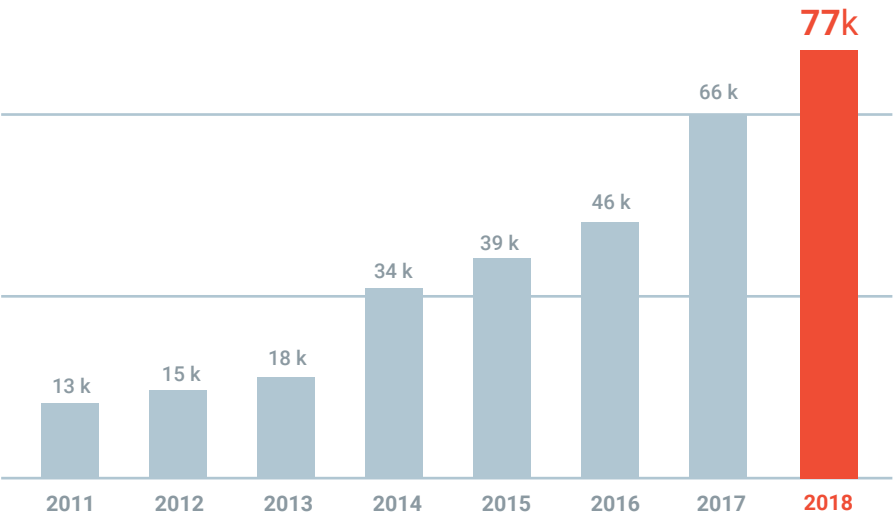
SIENA messages exchanged



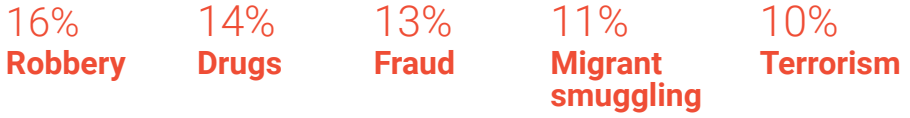
SIENA new cases per crime area



SIENA cases initiated



Top 5 crime areas



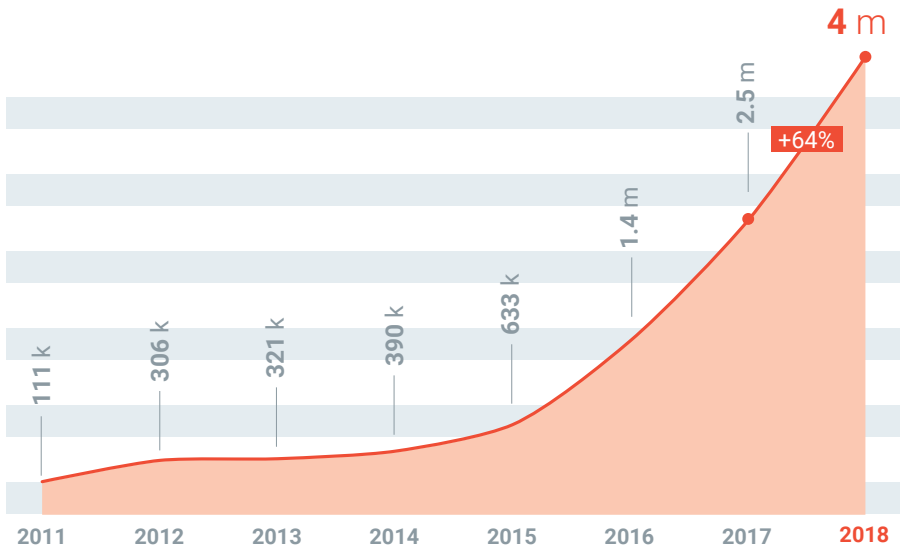
SIENA messages exchanged related to migrant smuggling



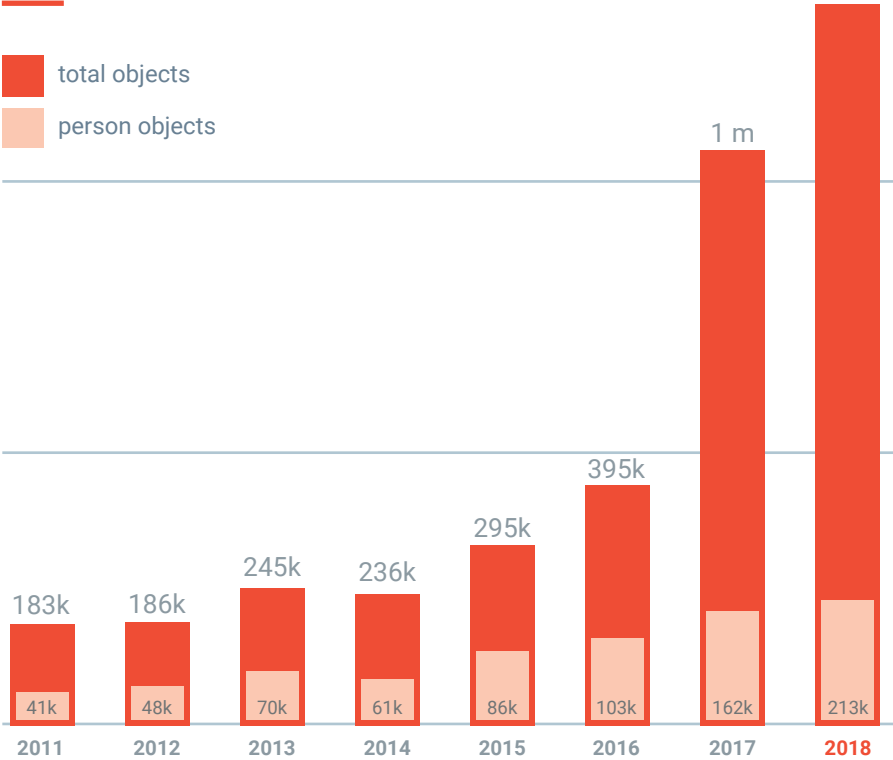
EIS

The **Europol Information System** is used to store and query information about offences, offenders, suspects and other key crime-related data.

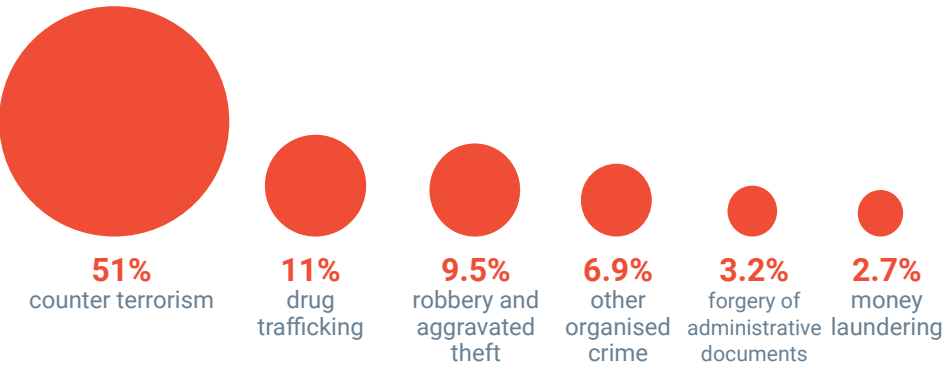
EIS searches



EIS objects



EIS objects (per crime area)



EIS objects related to counter terrorism



EIS persons linked to terrorism



EPE

The **Europol Platform for Experts** is used by a variety of law enforcements to share non-personal data on crime.

52
platforms

EPE active users



from
100+ countries
50+ crime areas discussed

Operational information related to personal data can be exchanged only with EU Member States and Europol operational partners and via the established secure line. Such operational information cannot be shared via the EPE.

From threat assessment to action

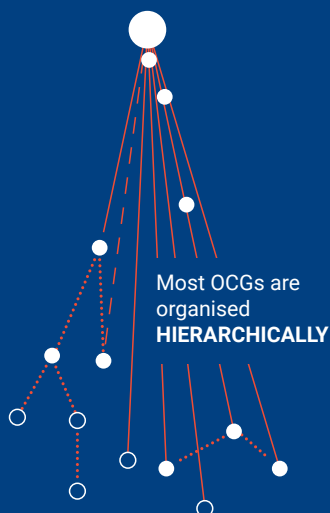
SOCTA 2017

Organised criminal groups



5 000

international groups currently under investigation



76%
six or more
members



7 out of 10
OCGs are typically
active in more than
three countries



60%

of the suspects involved in serious and organised crime in the EU are EU



>180

nationalities
involved

Engines of organised crime



Priority areas for the new policy cycle 2018–2021

- Cybercrime
- Drugs
- Facilitating Illegal Immigration
- Trafficking in Human Beings
- Organised Property Crime
- Firearms
- Excise and MTIC Fraud
- Document Fraud
- Environmental Crime
- Criminal Finances and Money Laundering

IOCTA 2018

Key threats

Cyber dependent crime

- Ransomware
- DDoS attacks
- Cryptojacking

Cyber enabled crime

- Darknet facilitated trade in illicit goods and online child sex offender communities
- Social engineering
- Telecommunications fraud
- Card Not Present fraud facilitating other crimes

Key trends

- Ransomware dominating malware scene
- Social engineering as an engine of cybercrime
- Cryptojacking - a new criminal revenue stream
- Legislative and technical challenges
- Card Not Present fraud and its facilitating role
- Abuse of Dark Web
- Self-generated explicit material fuelling child sexual exploitation

Help us fight crime!

Have you seen them?

EU MOST WANTED FUGITIVES

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criminals arrested
since the launch of the
website

Do you recognise these objects?



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1 650 000

page visitors on
Europol's website

24 300

contributions (tips)
from the general
public

Need help to unlock
your digital life?

NO MORE RANSOM!

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#NeverPay

1 700 000+

visitors since the
launch of the portal

35 000+

victims helped

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