

Category of case/file	Number of resolved cases/files in 2013		
	Antitrust and merger cases	State aid	Total
I Administrative cases	57	33	90
II Advocacy (opinions)	44	118	162
III Other non-administrative files	380	48	428
Subtotal:	481	199	680

Advocacy (opinions) in the area of antitrust and merger control includes: opinions on draft proposals for laws and other legislation and opinions on existing laws and other legal acts.

Other non-administrative files in the area of antitrust and merger control includes: all other responses to the parties, sector inquiries and preliminary investigations in the relevant market, data base files, files involving notifications of concentrations received in the referral procedure under the Council Regulation (EC) No 1/2003¹, files involving cooperation with other competent authorities and sector regulators, international cooperation files and CCA internal acts.

In the period from 2003 to the accession of the Republic of Croatia to the EU on 1 July 2013, that is, under the Stabilization and Association Agreement and the former State aid Act (Official Gazette 47/2003, 60/2004; 140/2005, 49/2011) the Croatian Competition Agency was empowered for authorisation, monitoring and recovery of State aid.

After the EU accession on 1 July 2013, when the exclusive competence for State Aid was assumed by the European Commission, based upon State aid Act (Official Gazette 72/2013, 141/2013), the CCA resumed its advisory and advocacy role in this area. It consisted primarily of providing support to aid providers in the form of opinions on compliance of the proposed State aid measures with the State aid rules before the notification to the Commission and opinions on proposed State aid measures that are exempted from the obligatory notification. The CCA also notified State aid to the Commission, reported on granted State aid in Croatia etc.

¹ Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 of 20 January 2004 on the control of concentrations between undertakings (the EC Merger Regulation) Official Journal L 24, 29.01.2004