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[Blog Post: 20 Biggest GDPR Fines of 2019, 2020, and 2021 \(So Far\)](#)

Since the GDPR took effect in May 2018, there has been over 800 fines issued across the European Economic Area (EEA) and the United Kingdom.

[News Article: The ICO reports a 60% surge in nuisance calls, texts and emails](#)

The average number of nuisance calls, texts and emails reported to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO), has risen from 8,680 per month in 2020, to an average of 13,925 in 2021 – an increase of 60 per cent.

[News Article: French shipping giant CMA CGM suffers data breach](#)

The container transportation and maritime giant, based in Marseille, revealed in a security advisory that customers' names, email addresses, phone numbers, and employment information have been leaked.

[Relates to France]

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