

United States of America Hate Crime Report 2013

Information contained in this report was compiled as part of ODIHR's 2013 Hate Crime Report.

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Summary

The United States regularly reports hate crime data to ODIHR. The United States publishes [hate crime data](#) annually.

Following a 2021 review by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), hate crimes were included in the top-level category of priorities (Band 1 National Threat Priority), resulting in an increase in resources allocated to tackle hate crimes. By collaborating with the national Hate Crime Coalition, the FBI consults closely with civil society organizations (CSOs), including to develop and update the [FBI Hate Crime Data Collection Guidelines](#) and Training.

In 2020, the Department of Justice issued a comprehensive "[Law Enforcement Roundtable Report on Hate Crimes](#)", setting forth key recommendations and action steps to combat hate crime.

[Hate crime data collection in the United States](#)

[Hate crime victim support in the United States](#)

[The United States's hate crime legislation](#)

ODIHR's Key Observation

ODIHR observes that the United States has not reported information on sentenced hate crime cases to ODIHR.

Official Data

US data reports by incidents, offenses, victims and ‘known’ offenders. FBI reports overall total using ‘offenses’ label, therefore, these are the figures included. Only offenses with one recorded bias are shown in the breakdown below. Prosecution data refers to prosecutions carried out under federal law by the U.S. Department of Justice’s Civil Rights Division and U.S. Attorneys Offices throughout the country. The vast majority of hate crimes in the United States are prosecuted at the state and local level, for which no figures are currently compiled. Figures refer to the fiscal year running from April 2013 to March 2014.

Year	Hate crimes recorded by police	Prosecuted	Sentenced
2013	6,933	22	not available

Police data by bias motivation

4,201

Racist and xenophobic hate crime

Official figures record 3407 racist offences and 794 offences with an ethnicity/national origin bias.

1,435

Anti-LGBTI hate crime

Official figures record 1402 homophobic and 33 transphobic hate crimes.

689

Anti-Semitic hate crime

Official figures record 689 anti-Semitic offences.

308

Hate crime against Christians and members of other religions

Official figures record 308 anti-religious offences.

165

Anti-Muslim hate crime

Official figures record 165 anti-Muslim offences.

92

Disability hate crime

Official figures record 92 disability hate crimes.

30

Unspecified

Police data by type of crime

2,470

Physical assault

This category includes rape, aggravated and simple assaults.

1,922

Threats/ threatening behaviour

This category includes cases of intimidation.

1,779

Damage to property

This category consists of cases of destruction, damage and vandalism.

544

Theft/ robbery

This category includes cases of theft, robbery, burglary and motor vehicle theft.

164

Unspecified

This category includes crimes against society and other types.

36

Arson

5

Homicide

This category includes murders and non-negligent manslaughter.

National Developments

Following a gun attack against a Sikh Temple in Wisconsin in 2012, the **U.S. Department of Justice's** Civil Rights Division and the Community Relations Service (CRS) brought together representatives from 22 religious and interfaith organizations to discuss data collection relating to religion-based attacks on individuals and places of worship. Following this meeting, the Federal Bureau of Investigation's (FBI) data collection system was amended to include anti-Sikh, anti-Hindu and anti-Arab categories both in the coding sheets filled out by police following an attack and in the hate crime reports that the FBI produces each year. Reporting under the new categories will begin in January 2015. As part of this initiative, the Civil Rights Division will be conducting a series of five regional trainings on hate crime prosecutions and data collection in 2015.

Incidents reported by civil society

No data reported to ODIHR.