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Summary

Canada regularly reports hate crime data to ODIHR and regularly publishes hate crime statistics. Canada conducts regular victimization surveys to measure unreported hate crime.

Canada has several interrelated and co-ordinated initiatives in place to ensure a comprehensive approach to hate crimes through government and community partnerships. Canada's 'Action Plan on Combatting Hate' (Action Plan) and 'Changing Systems, Transforming Lives: Canada's Anti-Racism Strategy 2024-2028' are two comprehensive initiatives that fund and support a variety of government and community-led projects on addressing hate. The initiatives were developed through extensive community engagement and build on existing strategies. The Action Plan foresees the creation of a Ministerial Advisory Council on Combatting Hate, which serves as a forum for ministers and community leaders to directly engage and exchange feedback on the Action Plan's implementation, and also to discuss existing and emerging issues on addressing racism and hate.

Hate crime data collection in Canada Support for hate crime victims in Canada Hate crime capacity building in Canada Canada's hate crime legislation



Official Data

Year	Hate crimes recorded by police	Prosecuted	Sentenced
2009	1,473	not available	not available



Police data by bias motivation

769

Racist and xenophobic hate crime

Official figures record 760 hate crimes motivated by a bias against race or ethnicity and 9 hate crimes motivated by bias against language.

283

Anti-Semitic hate crime

Official figures record 283 anti-Jewish hate crimes.

188

Anti-LGBTI hate crime

Official figures record 188 hate crimes motivated by bias against sexual orientation.

96

Unspecified

91

Hate crime against Christians and members of other religions

Official figures record 91 anti-religion hate crimes, not including incidents motivated by an anti-Jewish or anti-Muslim bias.

36

Anti-Muslim hate crime

Official figures record 36 anti-Muslim hate crimes.

7

Disability hate crime

Official figures record 7 hate crimes motivated by a bias against disability.



Police data by type of crime

933

Unspecified

276

Damage to property

154

Physical assault

92

Threats/ threatening behaviour

15

Vandalism



Incidents reported by civil society

No data reported to ODIHR.

View civil society incidents for Canada, 2009

