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HATE CRIME REPORTING

Information contained in this report was compiled as part of ODIHR's 2020 Hate Crime Report.
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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

ODIHR's Key Observation

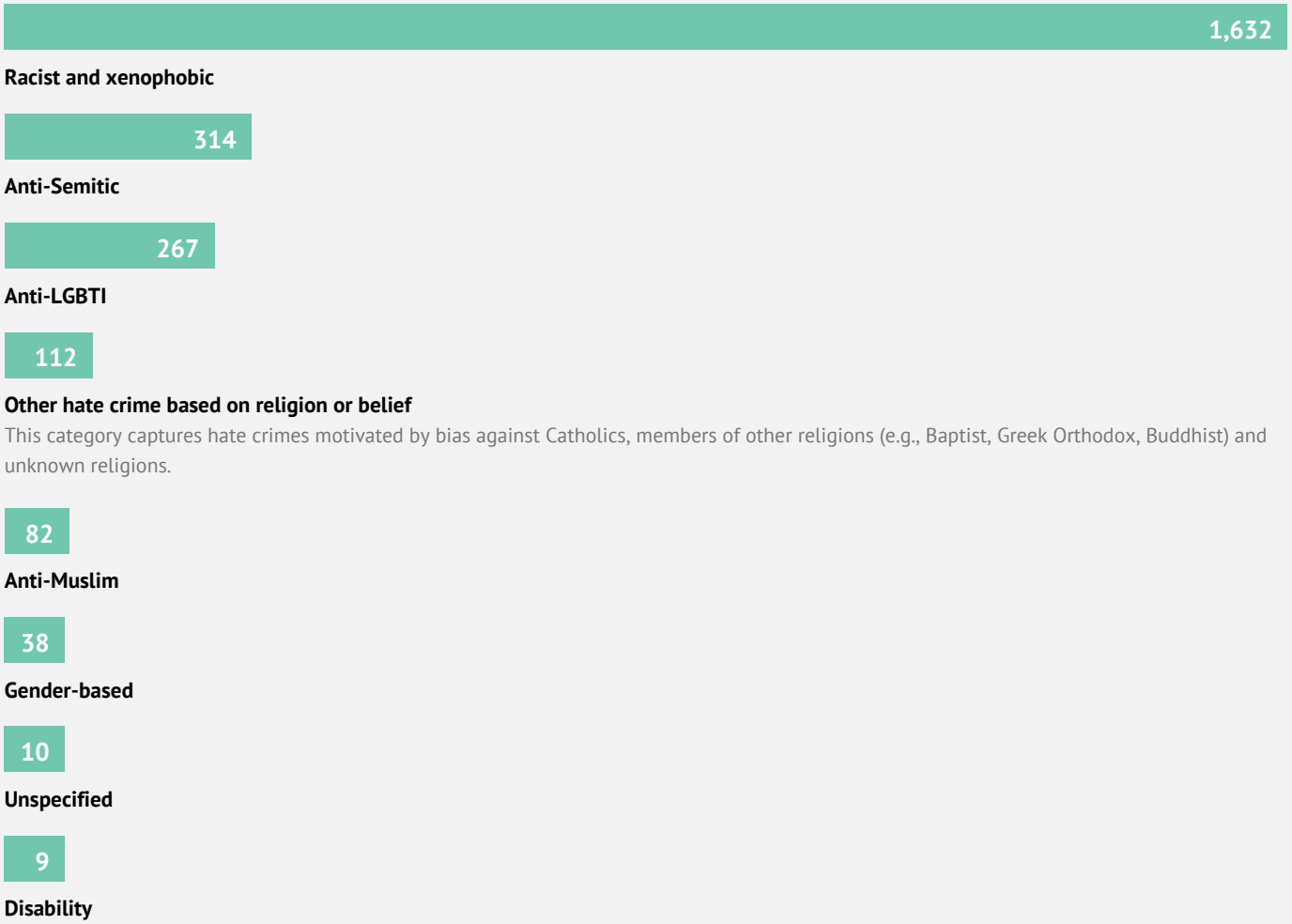
ODIHR recognizes Canada's efforts in regularly submitting information on police records. However, based on the available information, it observes that Canada has not reported data on hate crimes recorded by, respectively, prosecution and judiciary, respectively, to ODIHR. In, addition, ODIHR observes that Canada would benefit from ensuring that hate crimes are addressed in a comprehensive manner, including by introducing a coordination mechanism.

Official Data

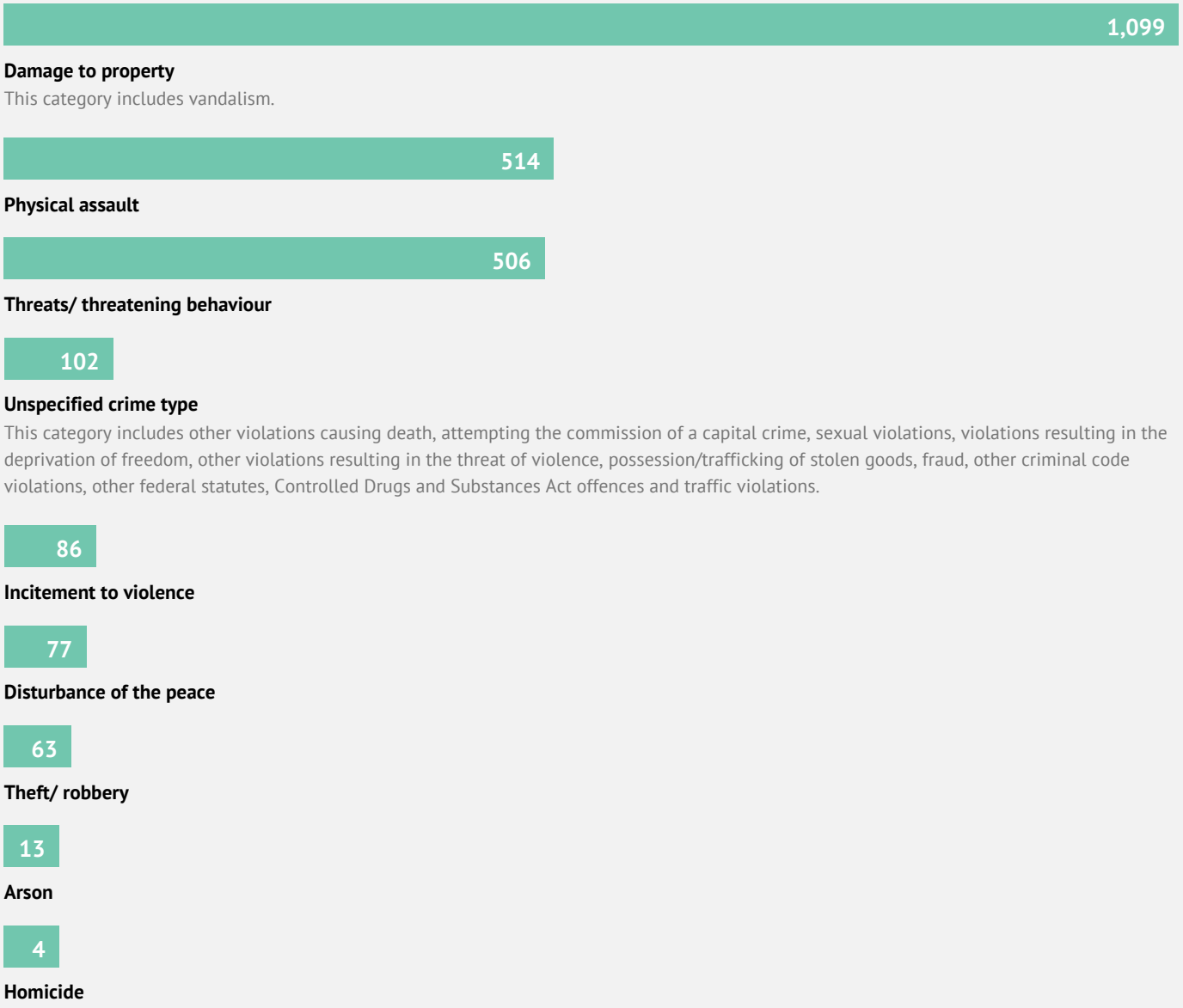
In addition to the numbers presented here, the police recorded hate crime incidents motivated by age, other factors and unknown motivations.

Year	Hate crimes recorded by police	Prosecuted	Sentenced
2020	2,669	not available	not available

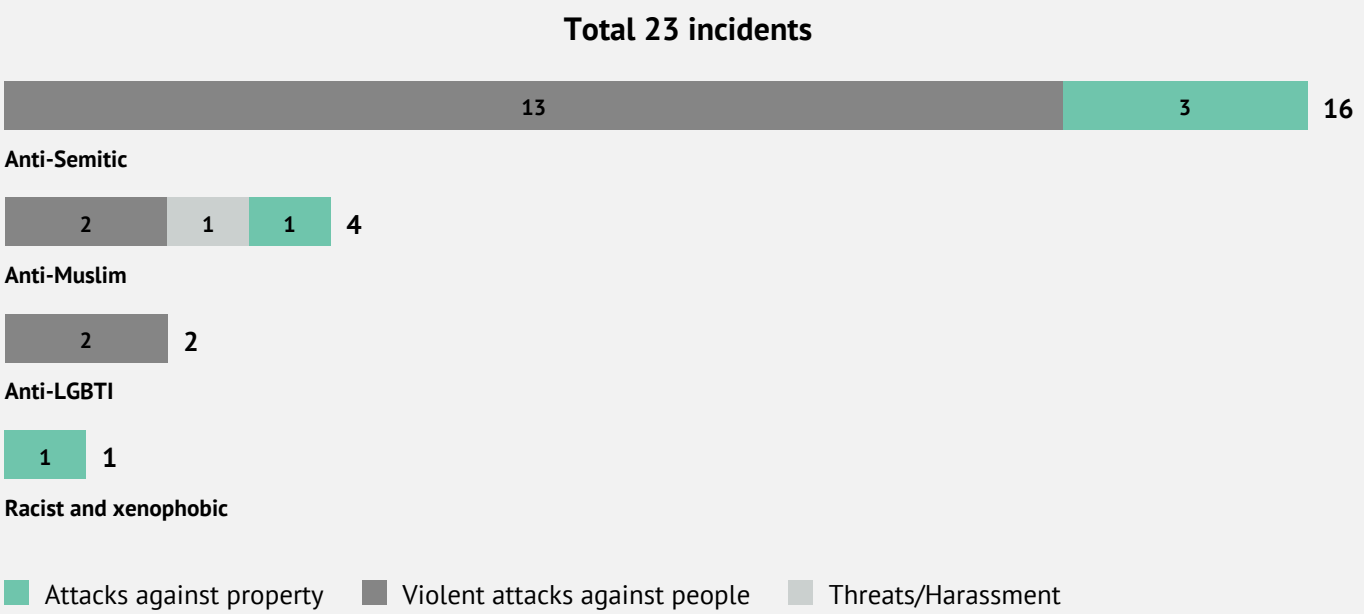
Police data by bias motivation



Police data by type of crime



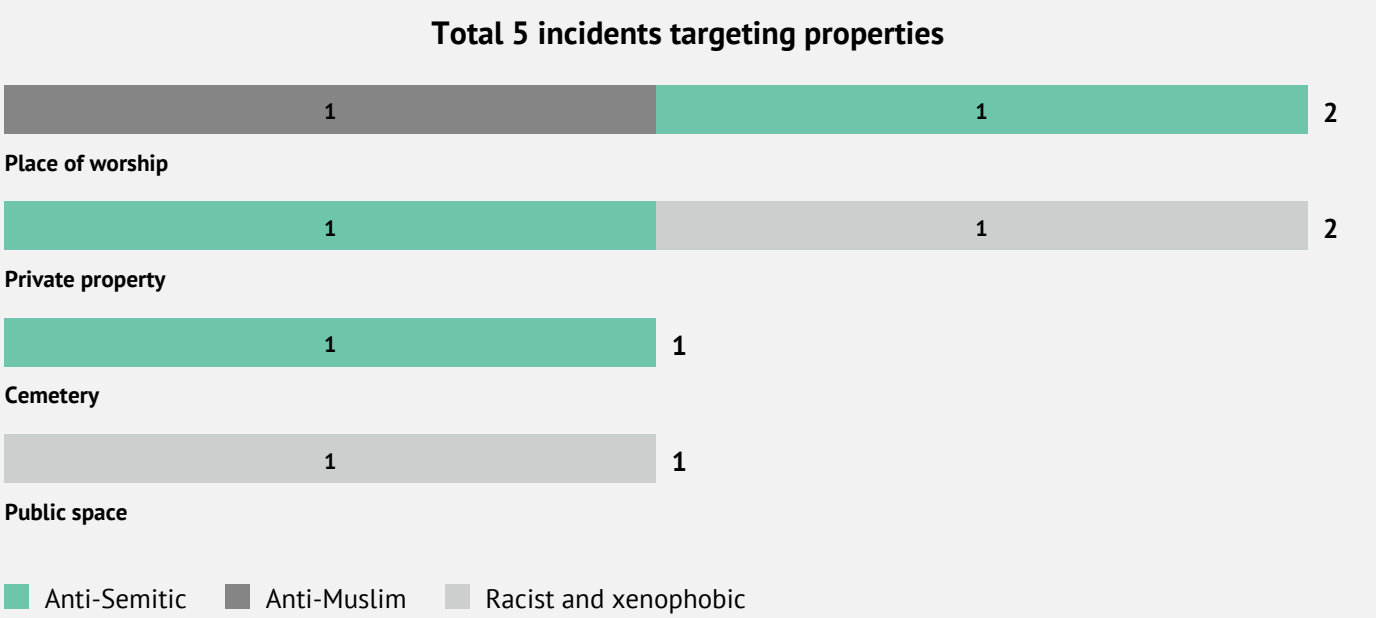
Incidents reported by civil society



Please note that the total number of incidents may be lower than the sum of incidents presented in the breakdown chart above, as some incidents involve multiple bias motivations.

In addition to incidents summarized below, this graph includes 12 hate incidents reported by Kantor Center as statistics.

Targeted properties



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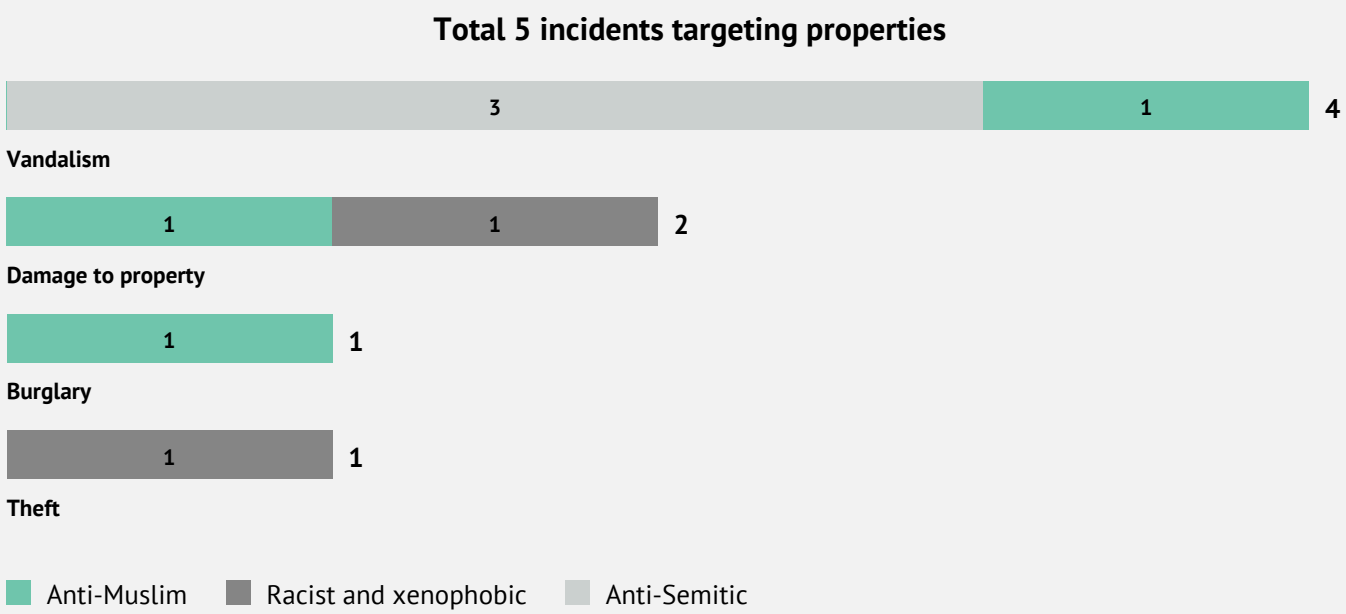

View civil society incidents for Canada, 2020