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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

Denmark regularly reports hate crime data and information to ODIHR. Hate crime statistics are regularly published on the Danish National Police website.

The Ministry of Justice conducts annual victimization surveys to measure unreported hate crimes. The Danish National Police has previously engaged in dialogue on hate crime with a number of community stakeholders.

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

ODIHR's Key Observation

ODIHR recognizes Denmark's efforts in conducting a victimization survey addressing hate crimes and, in particular, the submitted information regarding police records. However, based on the available information, it observes that Denmark has not reported data on hate crimes recorded by the prosecution and judiciary to ODIHR. In addition, ODIHR observes that Denmark would benefit from ensuring that hate crimes are addressed in a comprehensive manner, including by introducing a coordination mechanism.

Official Data

The police records included hate speech cases, which fall outside of the OSCE's definition of hate crime. These incidents could be disaggregated and are not reflected in these figures.

Year	Hate crimes recorded by police	Prosecuted	Sentenced
2020	635	not available	not available

Police data by bias motivation

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Police data by type of crime

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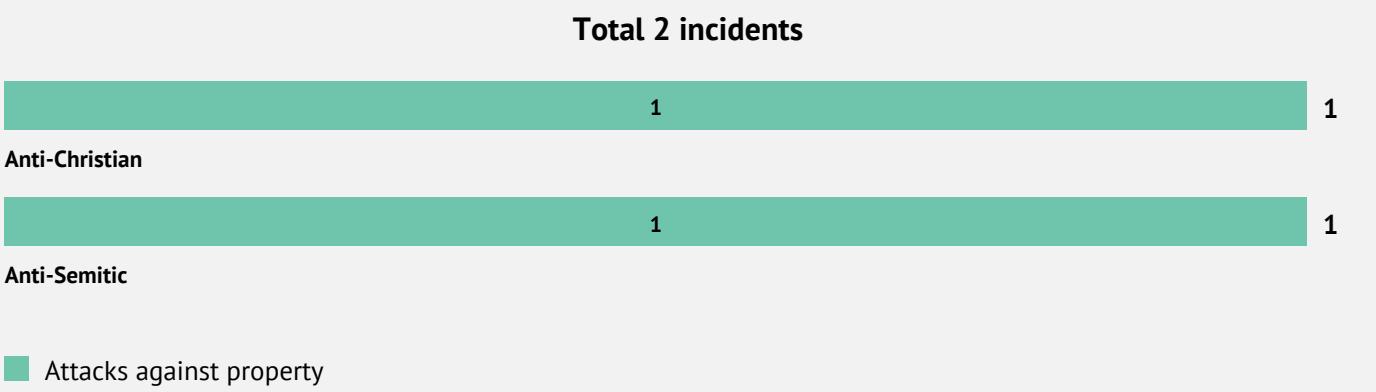


Unspecified crime type

National Developments

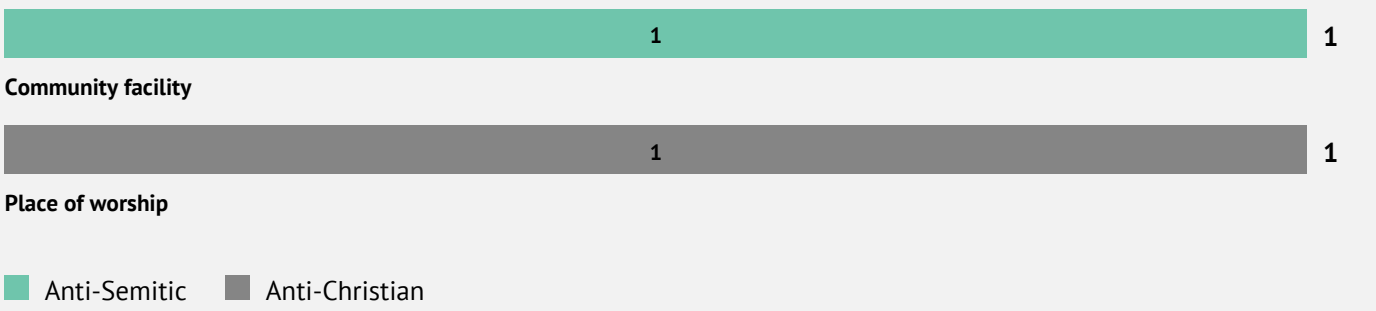
In 2020, the **Ministry of Justice** published a report on the victimisation survey concerning the years 2005-2019; the survey included questions related to hate crimes and showed, among other things, that every year between 4,300 and 5,800 people were exposed to racist violence and between 1,500 and 2,500 people were exposed to violence due to their sexual orientation. Furthermore, almost six percent of victims of violence in 2019 responded that the violence may have been motivated by their gender identity.

Incidents reported by civil society

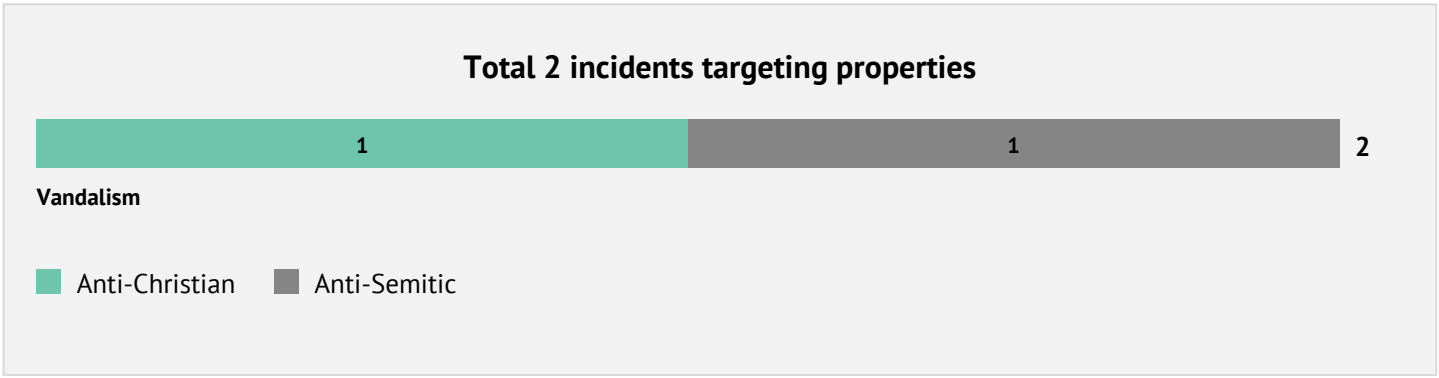


Please note that the total number of incidents may be lower than the sum of incidents presented in the breakdown chart above, as some incidents involve multiple bias motivations.

Targeted properties



Type of property attack



View civil society incidents for Denmark, 2020