

France Hate Crime Report 2015

Information contained in this report was compiled as part of ODIHR's 2015 Hate Crime Report.

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Summary

France regularly reports hate crime data to ODIHR. Since 2012, DILCRAH has served as an inter-ministerial body and platform for co-operation to address hate crime, including through research and financial support to civil society organizations (CSOs). DILCRAH, along with a number of CSOs, is also involved in the training of judges and prosecutors, as well as police officers and gendarmes. The Central Office for Combating Crimes against Humanity and Hate Crimes (OCLCH) is an inter-agency body composed of police officers and gendarmes that is responsible for leading and coordinating the fight against crimes against humanity and hate crimes, assisting and supporting local units in this area, acting as the national contact point for both units and external entities, investigating, providing expertise and preparing threat assessments in its area of responsibility.

Hate crime data are regularly published by the National Institution for Human Rights. France conducts regular surveys on hate crime victimization to measure unreported hate crimes.

[Hate crime data collection in France](#)

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ODIHR's Key Observation

ODIHR observes that France has met most OSCE commitments on hate crime data collection and reporting. ODIHR further observes that data on certain OSCE-mandated bias motivations have not been reported.

Official Data

The figure presented here includes 244 incidents of discrimination, defamation and public insults. These categories fall outside of the OSCE concept of hate crimes and are therefore not included in the breakdown by type of crime below.

Year	Hate crimes recorded by police	Prosecuted	Sentenced
2015	1,790	not available	not available

Police data by bias motivation

739

Racist and xenophobic hate crime

Official figures recorded 739 racist hate crimes, including 69 physical assaults, three arson attacks, 31 incidents of damage to property and 249 cases of threats.

715

Anti-Semitic hate crime

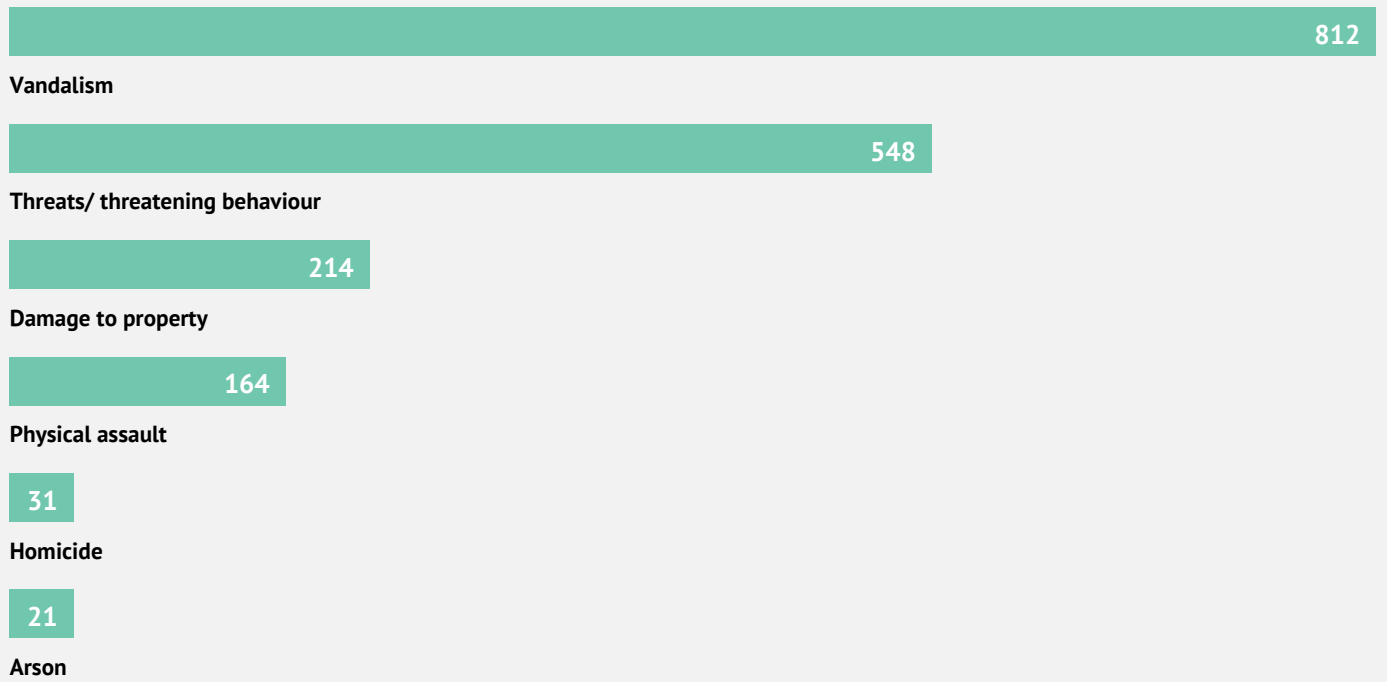
Official figures recorded 715 anti-Semitic hate crimes, including 31 homicides, 66 physical assaults, 109 cases of damage to property, 250 incidents of vandalism and 259 cases of threats.

336

Anti-Muslim hate crime

Official figures recorded 336 hate crimes motivated by anti-Muslim bias, including 29 physical assaults, 18 arson attacks, 74 cases of damage to property, 175 incidents of vandalism and 40 cases of threat.

Police data by type of crime



National Developments

In the framework of the "Action Plan against Racism and Anti-Semitism 2015-2017," a circular was published on 4 December 2015. This circular instructed prosecutors to request sentences that include an educational component as part of perpetrator's sentences.

Incidents reported by civil society

No data reported to ODIHR.

[View civil society incidents for France, 2015](#)