

Netherlands Hate Crime Report 2012

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Summary

The Netherlands regularly reports hate crime data to ODIHR. [Police](#) and [prosecution](#) statistics are published annually. A victimization survey is conducted by the Central Bureau of Statistics every two years and the results are published [here](#).

The Netherlands' Criminal Code contains no hate crime provisions, and hate crimes are addressed as "criminal offences with a discriminatory aspect". The Public Prosecution Service provides guidance on investigating and prosecuting such offences ([Aanwijzing Discriminatie](#)), including on prioritising discrimination offences.

In October 2021, the Netherlands appointed a National Coordinator against Discrimination and Racism to ensure a comprehensive approach to countering discrimination and hate crime, including with the involvement of civil society.

In May 2022, a new State Commission against Discrimination and Racism (State Commission) was tasked with conducting research into discrimination and racism, including hate crimes.

The Ministry of the Interior (Mol) regularly consults civil society organizations (CSOs) on anti-discrimination policies. In particular, the Mol has entered into a formal co-operation agreement with the CSO Discriminatie.nl, which monitors discrimination in the Netherlands.

[Hate crime data collection in the Netherlands](#)

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ODIHR's Key Observation

ODIHR observes that the Netherlands has not periodically reported the number of hate crimes recorded by police to ODIHR.

Official Data

Figures reported to ODIHR and presented here include hate speech and discrimination offences (or “basic forms of discrimination”) as well as hate crimes (“common offences with a discriminatory motive”).

Year	Hate crimes recorded by police	Prosecuted	Sentenced
2012	3,292	114	not available

Incidents reported by civil society

No data reported to ODIHR.

[View civil society incidents for Netherlands, 2012](#)