

United Kingdom Hate Crime Report 2011

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Summary

The United Kingdom regularly reports hate crime data to ODIHR.

Authorities collaborate closely with civil society, including through Information Sharing Agreements concluded between the police and the Community Security Trust (CST), Galop and Tell MAMA, which enable the exchange of recorded data about incidents. The Crown Prosecution Service (CPS) regularly convenes an external consultation group (ECG) on hate crime, whose members include community organizations, victim advocacy groups, academics with relevant expertise and others. ECG members scrutinize CPS policies and practices, and suggest where improvements can be made.

In Northern Ireland, the Department of Justice chairs a multi-agency Hate Crime Delivery Group (HCDG) to identify strategic, cross-governmental priorities and develop new approaches to dealing with hate crime. The group meets quarterly and includes representatives of government departments, criminal justice agencies and victim groups. The Department of Justice and Northern Ireland Policing Board jointly fund Policing and Community Safety Partnerships (PCSPs) to engage and consult with the local community, and work with local partners to identify and prioritize local community safety and policing issues and develop initiatives and projects to address these.

In Scotland, there is the Hate Crime [Strategic Partnership Group \(SPG\)](#), which brings together criminal justice agencies and civil society organizations with hate crime expertise. The SPG helped ensure a multi-agency strategic approach was taken to develop the Hate Crime Strategy for Scotland. The Hate Crime and Public Order Act (Scotland) Act 2021 became an Act of Parliament on 23 April 2021. The Act was commenced on 1 April 2024.

The UK's College of Policing has developed guidelines for police on responding to hate crime, and the Crown Prosecution Service (CPS) has issued relevant guidance for prosecutors and published [public policy statements](#) on particular hate crime strands.

Police and prosecution data, which cover the reporting period from April to March of the following year, are regularly published by the relevant criminal justice agencies of England and Wales, Northern Ireland and Scotland.

Hate crime data collection in the United Kingdom
Support for hate crime victims in the United Kingdom
Hate crime capacity building in the United Kingdom
The United Kingdom's hate crime legislation

Official Data

Year	Hate crimes recorded by police	Prosecuted	Sentenced
2011	50,688	19,802	12,651

Police data by bias motivation

35,875

Racist and xenophobic hate crime

Official figures in England, Wales and Northern Ireland record 35,875 racist crimes.

4,776

Anti-LGBTI hate crime

Official figures in England, Wales and Northern Ireland record 4,477 motivated by bias against sexual orientation and 299 hate crimes against transgender persons.

1,937

Disability hate crime

Official figures in England, Wales and Northern Ireland record 1,937 crimes motivated by bias against people with disabilities.

1,773

Hate crime against Christians and members of other religions

Official figures in England, Wales and Northern Ireland record 1,773 anti-religious hate crimes.

440

Anti-Semitic hate crime

Official figures in England, Wales and Northern Ireland record 440 Anti-Semitic hate crimes.

Police data by type of crime

44,801

n/a

Incidents reported by civil society

No data reported to ODIHR.

[View civil society incidents for United Kingdom, 2011](#)