# **OSCE** ODIHR HATE CRIME REPORTING

## **United States of America Hate Crime Report 2012**

Information contained in this report was compiled as part of ODIHR's 2012 Hate Crime Report.

For more information, including on previous years' reporting, please visit: hatecrime.osce.org/united-states-america

For more information about ODIHR's Hate Crime Report, visit: hatecrime.osce.org/our-methodology

### Summary

The United States regularly reports hate crime data to ODIHR. The United States publishes hate crime data annually.

Following a 2021 review by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), hate crimes were included in the top-level category of priorities (Band 1 National Threat Priority), resulting in an increase in resources allocated to tackle hate crimes. By collaborating with the national Hate Crime Coalition, the FBI consults closely with civil society organizations (CSOs), including to develop and update the FBI Hate Crime Data Collection Guidelines and Training.

In 2020, the Department of Justice issued a comprehensive "Law Enforcement Roundtable Report on Hate Crimes", setting forth key recommendations and action steps to combat hate crime.

Hate crime data collection in the United States Hate crime victim support in the United States Hate crime capacity building in the United States The United States's hate crime legislation

### **ODIHR's Key Observation**

ODIHR observes that the United States has not reported on the numbers of prosecuted cases or information on sentenced hate crime cases to ODIHR.



## **Official Data**

The US reports by incidents, offences, victims and known offenders. The FBI reports overall total "offenses", therefore, these are the figures included.

| Year | Hate crimes recorded by police | Prosecuted    | Sentenced     |
|------|--------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| 2012 | 6,718                          | not available | not available |



### Police data by bias motivation

#### Racist and xenophobic hate crime

Official figures record 3298 racist offences and 822 offences with an ethnicity/national origin bias.

1,318

#### Anti-LGBTI hate crime

Official figures record 1,318 offences motivated by bias against sexual orientation.

696

#### Anti-Semitic hate crime

Official figures record 696 anti-Jewish offences.



#### Hate crime against Christians and members of other religions

Official figures record 321 offences motivated by a religious bias, consisting of 79 anti-Catholic, 34 anti-Protestant, 107 "anti-other religion", 89 anti-multiple religions/group, and 12 "anti-atheism/agnosticism/etc."

#### 149

#### Anti-Muslim hate crime

Official figures record 149 anti-Islamic offences.

#### 102

#### Disability hate crime

Official figures record 102 offences motivated by bias against disability.

#### 12

Unspecified



#### 4,121

| Police data by type of crime   |     |  |       |       |       |  |
|--------------------------------|-----|--|-------|-------|-------|--|
|                                |     |  |       |       | 2,433 |  |
| Physical assault               |     |  |       |       |       |  |
|                                |     |  |       | 1,904 |       |  |
| Vandalism                      |     |  |       |       |       |  |
|                                |     |  | 1,487 |       |       |  |
| Threats/ threatening behaviour |     |  |       |       |       |  |
|                                | 873 |  |       |       |       |  |
| Unspecified                    |     |  |       |       |       |  |
| 12                             |     |  |       |       |       |  |
| n/a                            |     |  |       |       |       |  |
| 10                             |     |  |       |       |       |  |
| Homicide                       |     |  |       |       |       |  |
|                                |     |  |       |       |       |  |



## **National Developments**

The **Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI)** revised its *Hate Crime Data Collection Guide and Training Manual* to reflect recent changes to the law. The manual serves as a basis for training and awareness raising with law enforcement, and was developed with the assistance of civil society, local law enforcement and NGOs.



# Incidents reported by civil society

No data reported to ODIHR.

View civil society incidents for United States of America, 2012

