

# ODIHR's Hate Crime Data

2023

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# ODIHR's Findings

*ON OFFICIAL SUBMISSIONS TO THE REPORT*

Of the 57 participating States, **48 submitted information** on hate crime to ODIHR:

**41 states** submitted official statistics

**40 states** submitted police records

**30 states** submitted records on prosecuted and/or sentenced hate crimes

**30 states** submitted police records broken down by bias motivation



# ODIHR's Key Observations

ON OFFICIAL SUBMISSIONS TO THE REPORT

## MAIN OBSERVATIONS



**23 states** to distinguish hate crimes from other types of crime, such as hate speech and discrimination



**11 states** to address gaps in data and ensure that hate crimes are also recorded by prosecutors and courts

## COMPLEMENTARY OBSERVATIONS



**12 states** to improve their hate crime legislation



**30 states** to build capacity of criminal justice agencies to address hate crime

# Civil Society and Other Contributors





# INCIDENT DATA

**5,768**

statistical incidents



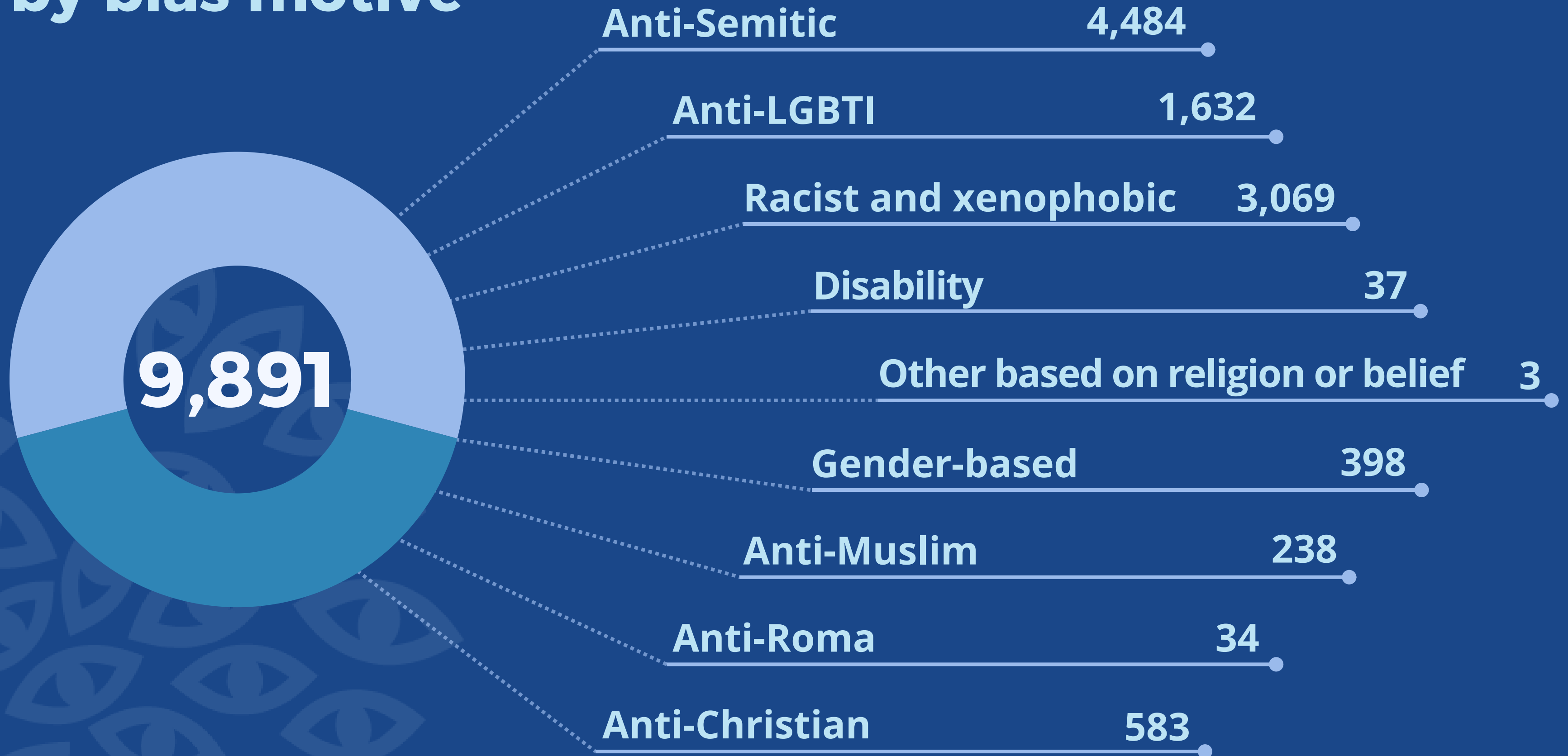
**4,123** descriptive incidents

Descriptive and statistical incidents were reported to ODIHR by:

- Civil society
- International organizations
- The Holy See

# INCIDENT DATA

by bias motive

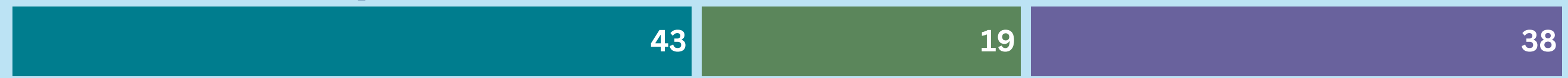




# Percentage type of crime by bias motivation (%)



## Racist and Xenophobic



## Anti-Semitic



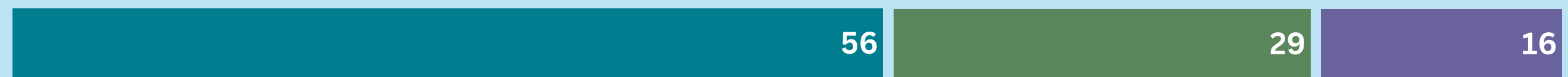
## Anti-Christian



## Anti-Muslim



## Anti-LGBTI



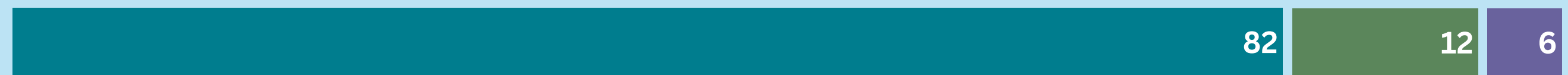
## Gender-based



## Disability



## Anti-Roma



## Other hate crime based on religion or belief



# Percentage of types of violent attacks against people by bias motivation (%)



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# An overview of anti-Semitic and anti-Muslim hate incidents in 2023

AS REPORTED BY CIVIL SOCIETY TO ODIHR

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Incidents motivated by the victim's visible association with the Jewish or Muslim community and/or with Palestine or Israel, with an increase after 7 October 2023



Racist, anti-Semitic and anti-Muslim incidents targeting victims due to their perceived responsibility for events in the Middle East, in particular after 7 October 2023



A large number of threats against synagogues, mosques, and Muslim or Jewish community facilities, with a significant increase after 7 October 2023





Incidents linked to protests in support of Israel or Palestine with incidents targeting Jewish, Muslim and other protesters, in particular after 7 October 2023



Incidents of criminal damage to community property containing anti-Semitic or anti-Muslim graffiti, with an increase in threatening graffiti after 7 October 2023



Some anti-Muslim incidents equating Muslims and those who support the Palestinian cause with terrorism, in particular after 7 October 2023



Some anti-Semitic incidents containing both references to events in the Middle East and threatening comments related to the Holocaust, in particular after 7 October 2023







Around 70 per cent of anti-Muslim and anti-Semitic incidents reported to ODIHR by civil society were incidents of verbal abuse, hate speech or discrimination. A significant proportion of these also took place after 7 October 2023



These incidents were excluded from ODIHR's 2023 Hate Crime Report as they go beyond the scope of the report, but indicate the wider scale of incidents affecting communities

# Incident example 1

2023



A Muslim woman wearing a keffiyeh was pushed onto the railway tracks and questioned about whether she supports Hamas.





# Incident example 2

2023

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A man wearing a Star of David necklace was spat at by two people of Arabic origin at a bus stop. The perpetrators made comments in reference to events in the Middle East.



# Incident example 3

2023



Staff members of a Jewish organization received anti-Semitic and anti-Israeli threats and insults via email, including references to events in the Middle East.



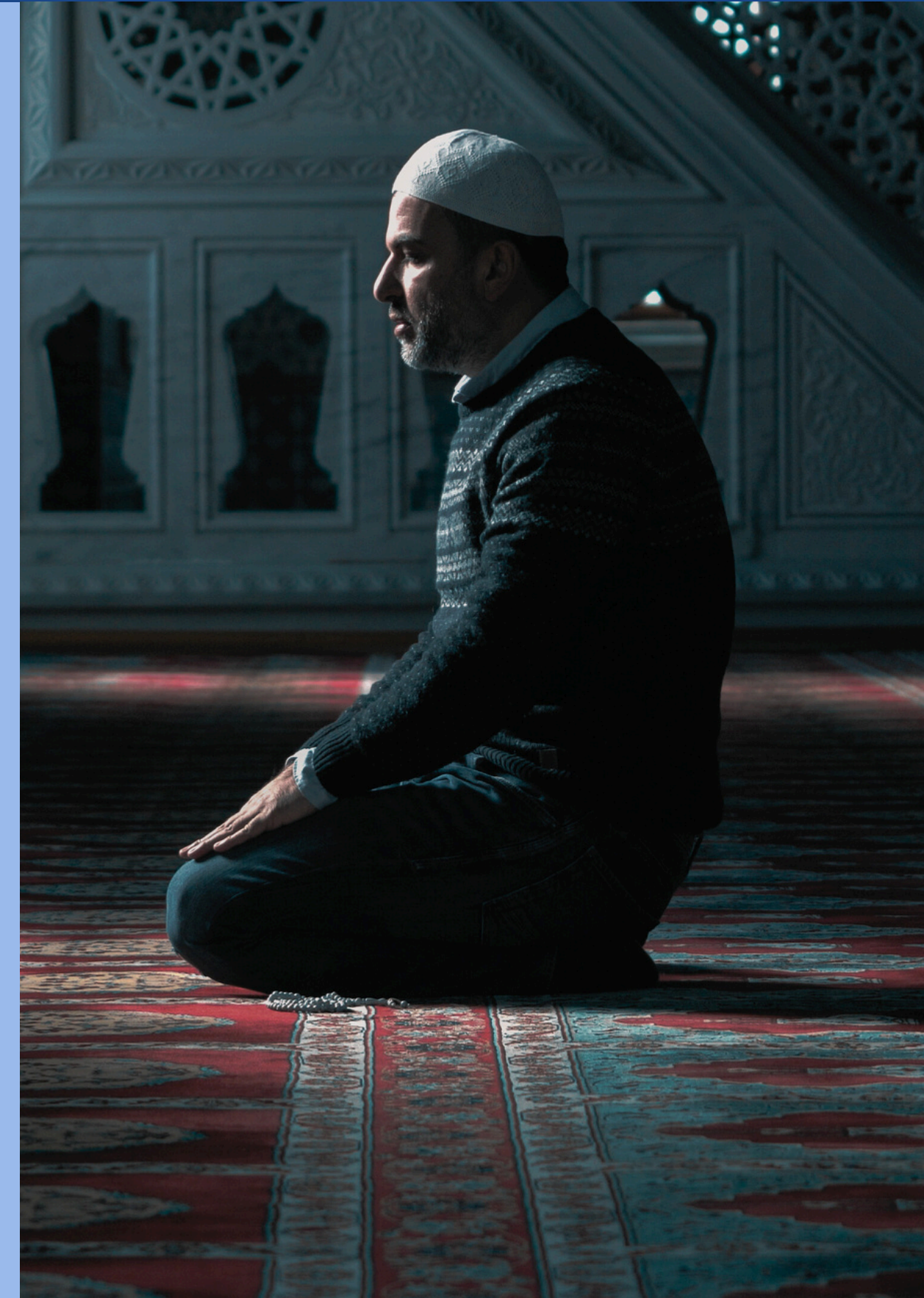


# Incident example 4

2023

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The Muslim community was threatened when a letter containing anti-Muslim insults and threats - including a burnt Qur'an, pork and faeces - was sent to a mosque. Similar letters were sent to other mosques in the country.





# Incident example 5

2023

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A man was severely beaten while being subjected to anti-Semitic insults during a pro-Palestine rally due to his perceived support of Israel.





# Incident example 6

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A person was poked in the arm, threatened with death and subjected to anti-Muslim insults by a white man at a pro-Palestine rally due to the victim's perceived Muslim identity. The perpetrator also made the cutthroat gesture at the victim.





# Incident example 7

2023



Staff members of a Jewish organization were threatened and subjected to anti-Semitic insults targeting Ashkenazi Jews via email. The email also contained Holocaust denial and references to events in the Middle East.





# Incident example 8

2023

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Participants at a conference on Palestine were physically attacked with mortars, iron bars and glass bottles by a far-right organized hate group. Three participants were injured.





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