

## **Denmark Hate Crime Report 2016**

Information contained in this report was compiled as part of ODIHR's 2016 Hate Crime Report.

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#### **Summary**

Denmark regularly reports hate crime data to ODIHR. Hate crime statistics are regularly published on the Danish National Police website.

The Ministry of Justice conducts annual victimization surveys to measure unreported hate crimes. The Danish National Police regularly engages in dialogue on hate crime with a number of community stakeholders.

Hate crime data collection in Denmark Support for hate crime victims in Denmark Hate crime capacity building in Denmark Denmark's hate crime legislation

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

ODIHR observes that Denmark has not reported to ODIHR the number of prosecuted and sentenced hate crime cases.



## **Official Data**

Official figure includes 'incidents without charges and other investigative measures' with a bias motivation. 159 actual crimes were recorded. This number includes 55 cases of hate speech, which fall outside of the scope of the OSCE's definition of hate crime.

Year	Hate crimes recorded by police	Prosecuted	Sentenced
2016	274	not available	not available



#### Police data by bias motivation

The Danish National Police also monitored 274 incidents without charges and other investigative measures that had a bias motivation. These are broken down below by bias motivation. The Police reported 159 actual hate crimes, which excludes 55 hate speech offences that do not fall within the OSCE's definition of a hate crime that are included under the "Unspecified" bias motivation and is broken down by type of crime.

	141
Racist and xenophobic hate crime	
This category includes crimes committed due to bias on the grounds of nationality, ethnicity, race, skin colour, and other related grounds.	
104	
Unspecified	
56	
Anti-Muslim hate crime	
45	
Anti-LGBTI hate crime This figure consists of 41 crimes with homophobic motivation and four motivated by bias on the grounds of gender identity.	
21	
Anti-Semitic hate crime	
6	
Anti-Christian hate crime	
5	
Other hate crime based on religion or belief	



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Unspecified

39
Vandalism

33
Physical assault

27
Threats/ threatening behaviour

1
Theft/ robbery

## **National Developments**

The **National Police College** introduced a mandatory course on hate crime, in which students are taught how to interact with targeted groups and how to communicate with victims in a respectful and understanding manner.

The **Danish National Police** has developed a training seminar on hate crime which is offered as part of continuing education efforts.

The **Danish National Police** initiated a dialogue on hate crimes with a number of significant stakeholders to establish closer and ongoing cooperation with civil society.



# Incidents reported by civil society



