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HATE CRIME REPORTING

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Summary

Canada regularly reports hate crime data to ODIHR and regularly publishes hate crime statistics. Canada conducts regular victimization surveys to measure unreported hate crime.

Canada has several interrelated and co-ordinated initiatives in place to ensure a comprehensive approach to hate crimes through government and community partnerships. Canada's 'Action Plan on Combatting Hate' (Action Plan) and 'Changing Systems, Transforming Lives: Canada's Anti-Racism Strategy 2024-2028' are two comprehensive initiatives that fund and support a variety of government and community-led projects on addressing hate. The initiatives were developed through extensive community engagement and build on existing strategies. The Action Plan foresees the creation of a Ministerial Advisory Council on Combatting Hate, which serves as a forum for ministers and community leaders to directly engage and exchange feedback on the Action Plan's implementation, and also to discuss existing and emerging issues on addressing racism and hate.

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

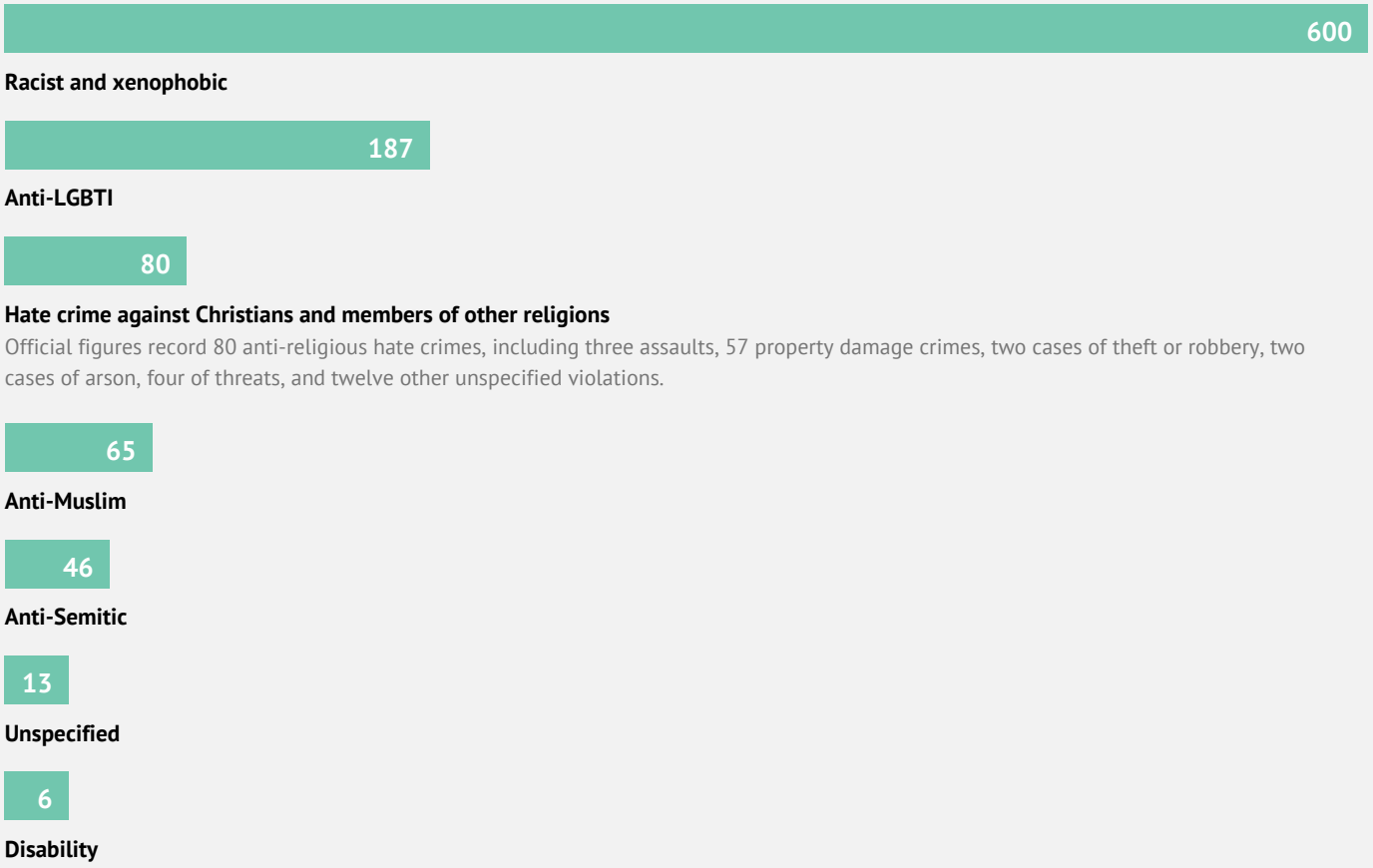
ODIHR's Key Observation

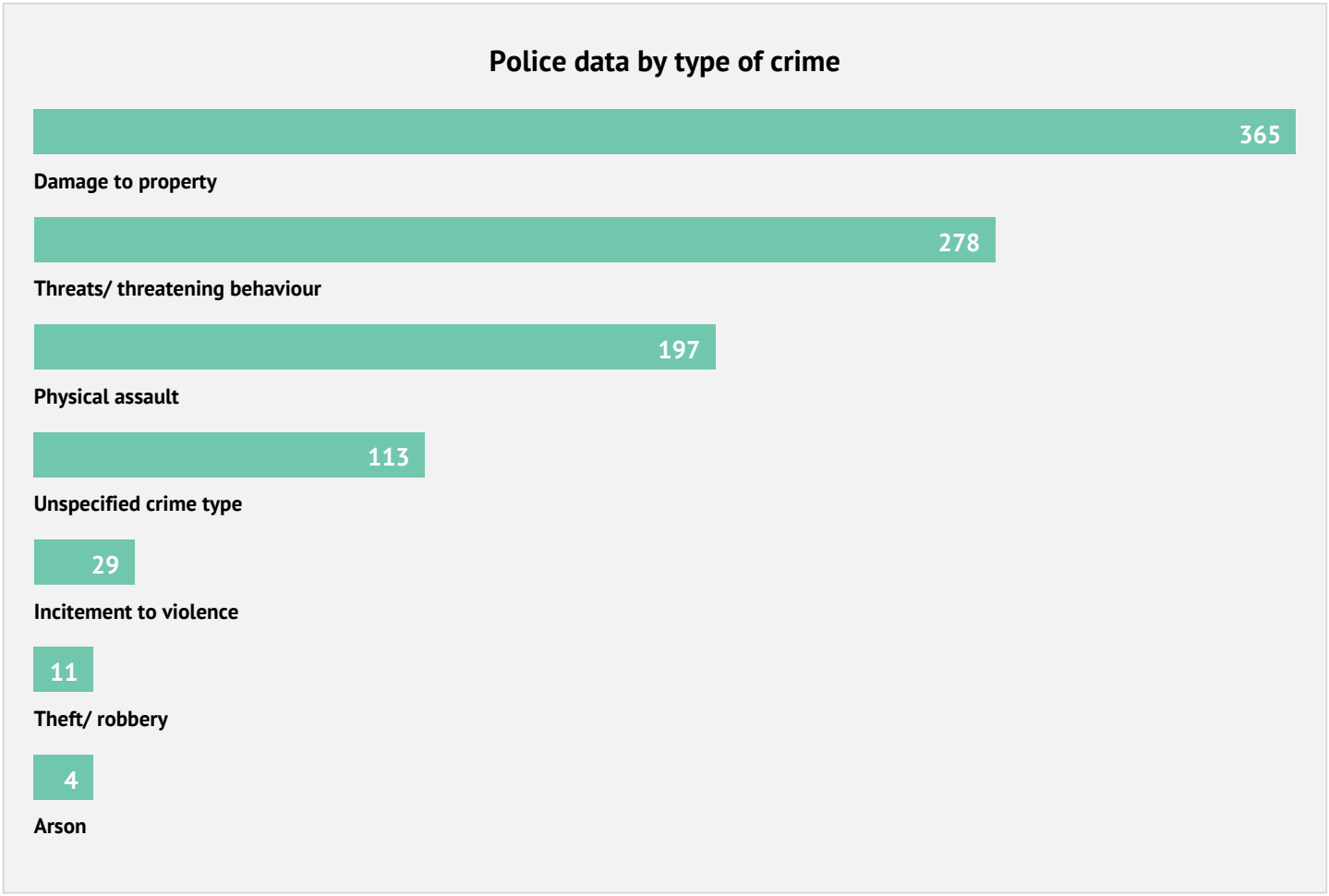
ODIHR observes that Canada has not reported the numbers of prosecuted and information on sentenced hate crime cases to ODIHR.

Official Data

Year	Hate crimes recorded by police	Prosecuted	Sentenced
2013	1,140	not available	not available

Police data by bias motivation




Police data by type of crime
365
Damage to property
278
Threats/ threatening behaviour
197
Physical assault
113
Unspecified crime type
29
Incitement to violence
11
Theft/ robbery
4
Arson

National Developments

Initiatives undertaken in 2013 to strengthen data collection included public education campaigns by police to encourage reporting by victims and the public, and training on statistical reporting to delivered to 17 police services across Canada.

Incidents reported by civil society

No data reported to ODIHR.

View civil society incidents for Canada, 2013