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HATE CRIME REPORTING

Information contained in this report was compiled as part of ODIHR's 2023 Hate Crime Report.
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Summary

Denmark regularly reports hate crime data and information 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 has previously engaged 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 recognizes Denmark's efforts in facilitating online reporting and improving hate crime victims' access to information about the reporting. However, based on the available information, it observes that Denmark has not reported data on hate crimes recorded by the prosecution ODIHR. In addition, ODIHR observes that Denmark would benefit from ensuring that hate crimes are addressed in a comprehensive manner, including by introducing a co-ordination mechanism.

Official Data

Hate crime records for 2023 were not available at the time of publishing ODIHR's 2023 Hate Crime Report.

Year	Hate crimes recorded by police	Prosecuted	Sentenced
2023	not available	not available	not available

No data reported to ODIHR.

National Developments

To improve the handling of hate crime cases by prosecution services, the Director of Public Prosecutions produced an overview of judgments in which the court increased the sentence according to section 81, para. 6 of the Criminal Code. The overview is updated regularly with new cases where the court has assessed that there was a motive of hatred underlying the crime. Prosecutors and defence attorneys can also use the overview when preparing cases.

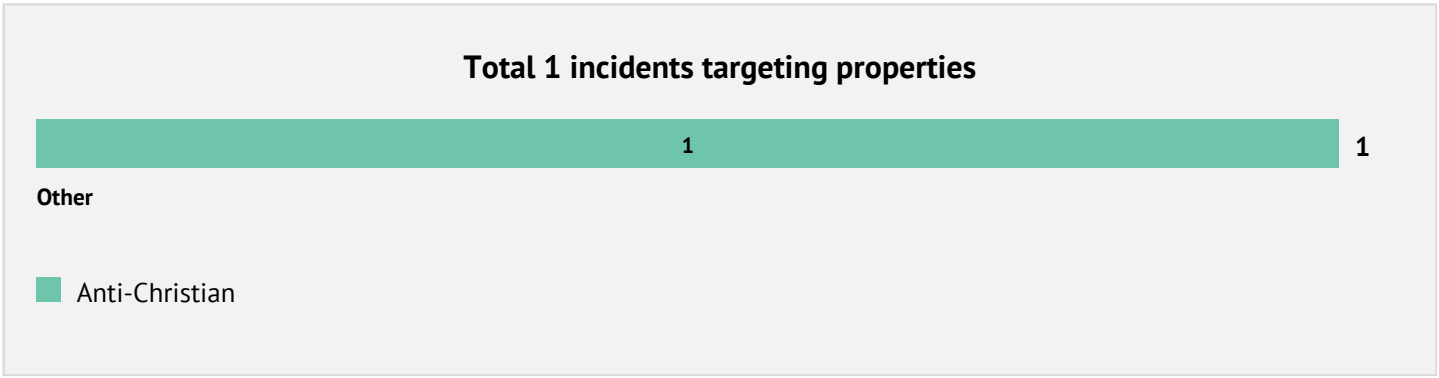
The Danish National Police engages in regular dialogue on hate crimes with a number of relevant civil society groups, including the Muslim Council, the Jewish Community in Denmark, LGBT+ Denmark, and Disabled Peoples' Organisations Denmark. The dialogue between police and civil society was set in motion to establish closer and ongoing co-operation with civil society and obtain their input on future efforts of the police in this area. The dialogue also aims to encourage victims to report hate crimes to the police and identify any difficulties or barriers they face when doing so.

Incidents reported by civil society



Please note that the total number of incidents may be lower than the sum of incidents presented in the breakdown chart above, as some incidents involve multiple bias motivations.

Targeted properties



View civil society incidents for Denmark, 2023