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HATE CRIME REPORTING

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Summary

Finland regularly reports hate crime data to ODIHR, and has conducted victimization surveys to measure unreported hate crime incidents. The Finnish police closely co-operate with the Finnish Human Rights League, the Finnish Red Cross and Finnish Victim Support to develop a co-ordinated response to combat hate crimes. These organizations, along with the national police and other key authorities, form a network tasked by Finland's Ministry of Justice with monitoring hate crimes in Finland and developing effective preventative measures.

In 2017, Finland implemented ODIHR's Training Against Hate Crimes for Law Enforcement (TAHCLE) programme, training over 1,000 police officers. The programme's hate crime modules have since been integrated into pre- and in-service training for police.

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

Official Data

Police figures include crimes of defamation, other hate speech crimes and crimes of discrimination. These are, however, not included in the breakdowns below. Prosecution figures only include crimes of ethnic agitation, aggravated ethnic agitation, discrimination, work discrimination and extortiate discrimination.

Year	Hate crimes recorded by police	Prosecuted	Sentenced
2009	1,580	41	not available

Police data by bias motivation



Racist and xenophobic



Hate crime against Christians and members of other religions

Official figures record 79 anti-religious crimes, including 30 physical assaults, 20 cases of damage to property/vandalism, one desecration of graves, four disturbance of domestic peace and 24 threats.

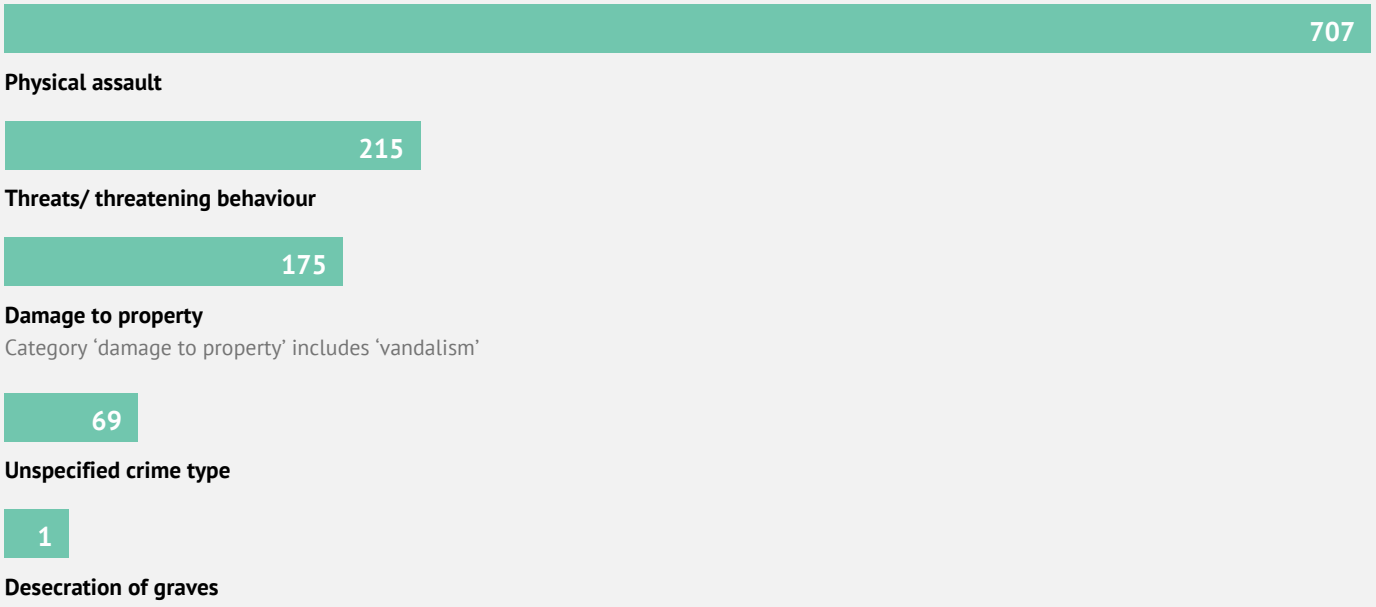


Disability



Anti-LGBTI

Police data by type of crime



Incidents reported by civil society

No data reported to ODIHR.

View civil society incidents for Finland, 2009