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Summary

France regularly reports hate crime data to ODIHR.

Since 2012, [DILCRAH](#) has served as an inter-ministerial body and platform for co-operation to address hate crime, including through research and financial support to civil society organizations (CSOs). DILCRAH, along with several civil society organizations, is involved in training judges, prosecutors, police officers, and gendarmes.

The Central Office for Combating Crimes against Humanity and Hate Crimes ([OCLCH](#)) is an inter-agency body made up of police officers and gendarmes. It is responsible for leading and co-ordinating the fight against crimes against humanity and hate crimes. OCLCH supports local units, serves as the national contact point for both units and external entities, conducts investigations, provides expertise, and prepares threat assessments within its area of responsibility.

Hate crime data are regularly published by the National Institute for Human Rights. France regularly conducts surveys on hate crime victimization to monitor unreported hate crimes.

[Hate crime data collection in France](#)
[Support for hate crime victims in France](#)
[Hate crime capacity building in France](#)
[France's hate crime legislation](#)

ODIHR's Key Observation

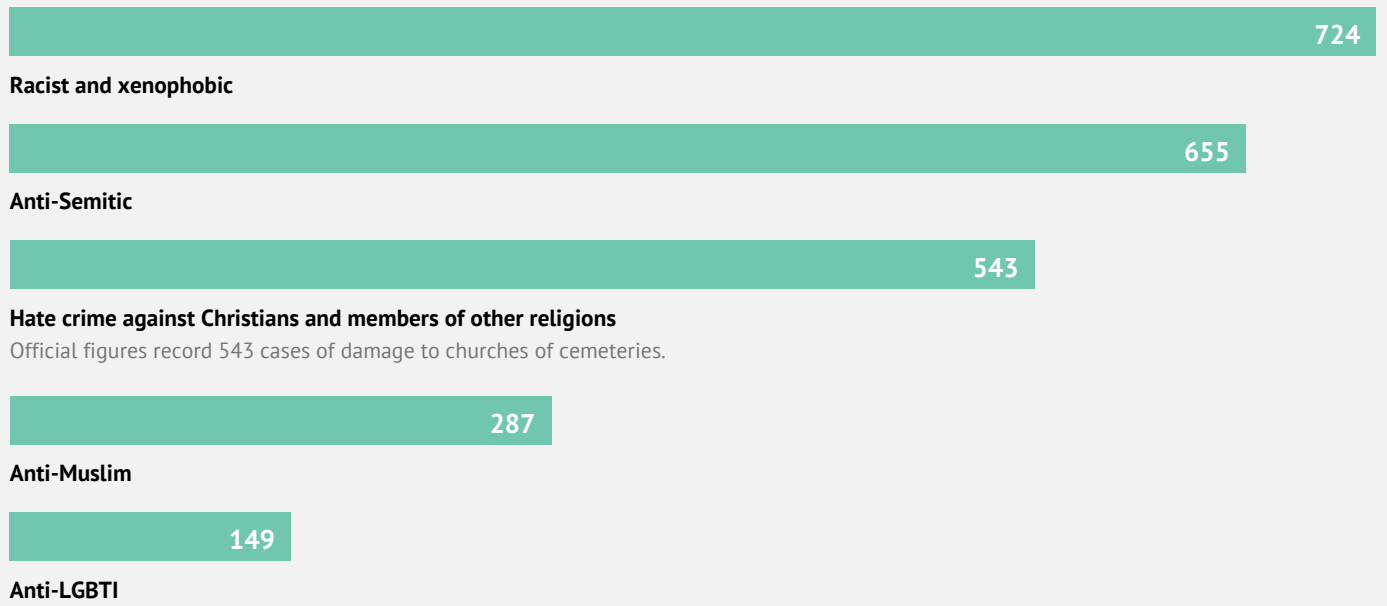
ODIHR observes that France has not periodically reported the numbers of hate crimes recorded by police to ODIHR.

Official Data

Prosecution data include discrimination and defamation crimes.

Year	Hate crimes recorded by police	Prosecuted	Sentenced
2012	2,357	604	550

Police data by bias motivation



Police data by type of crime

1,307

Threats/ threatening behaviour

667

Attacks against places of worship

Cases of damage to cemeteries are included within attacks on places of worship category.

383

Physical assault

Cases of rape and sexual assault are included within the physical assault category.

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Incitement to violence

National Developments

France amended all hate crime provisions contained in its criminal code to include sexual orientation.

A national action plan against racism and anti-Semitism for the period 2011-2014 was adopted in February 2012. An inter-ministerial delegation against racism and anti-Semitism has been established to monitor the implementation of this plan and to co-ordinate the ministries involved. The improvement of data collection mechanisms from both the Ministry of Justice and the Ministry of Interior is one of the goals of the national action plan.

Incidents reported by civil society

No data reported to ODIHR.

[View civil society incidents for France, 2012](#)