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HATE CRIME REPORTING

Information contained in this report was compiled as part of ODIHR's 2015 Hate Crime Report.
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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 Consultative Commission on Human Rights (CNCDH). 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

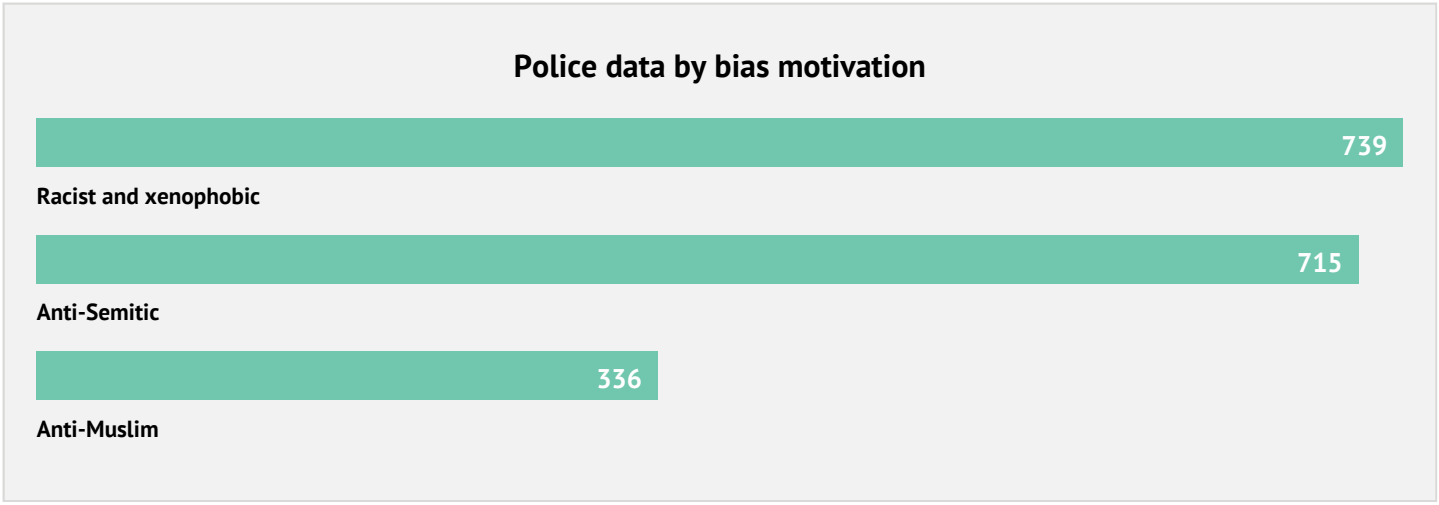
ODIHR's Key Observation

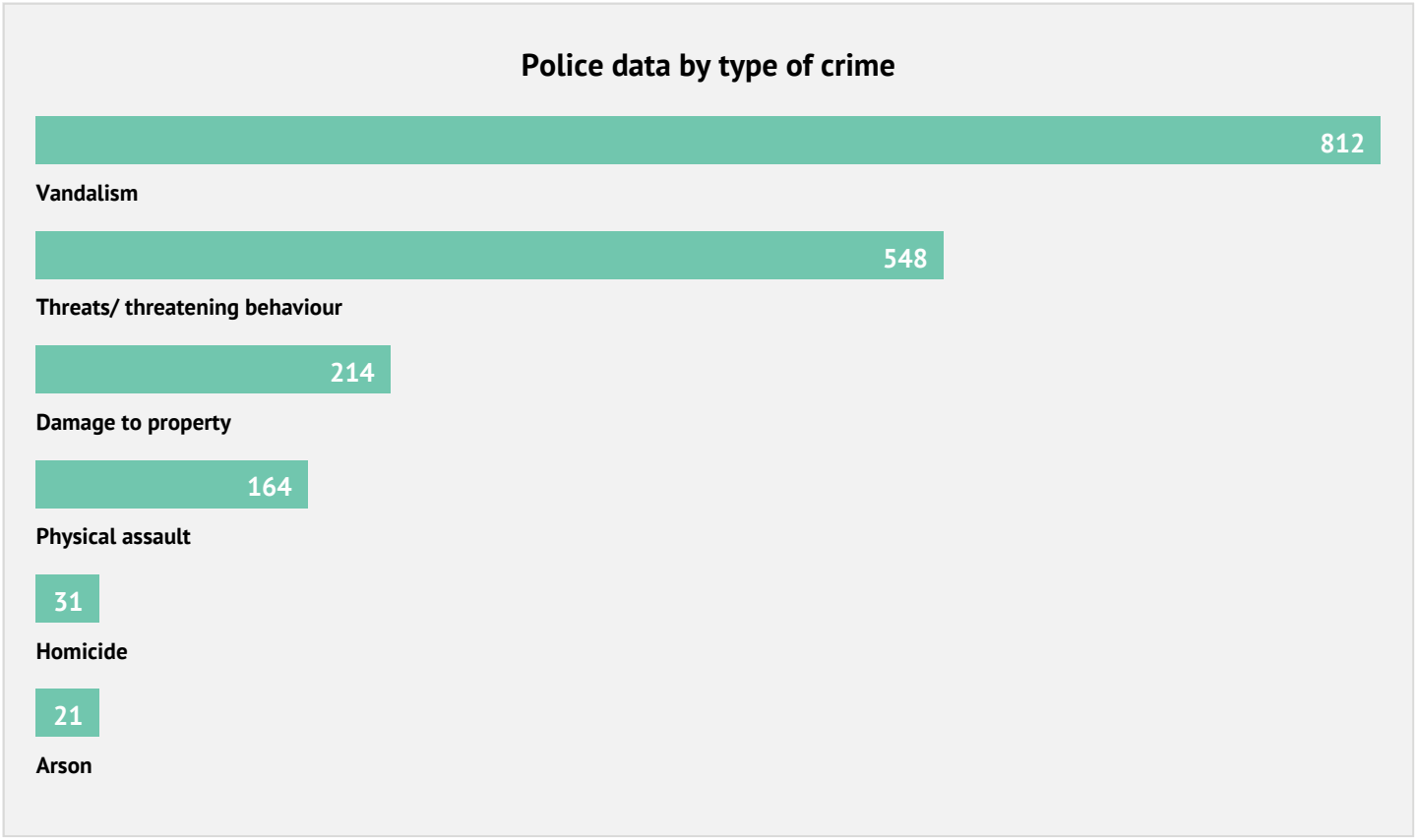
ODIHR observes that France has met most OSCE commitments on hate crime data collection and reporting. ODIHR further observes that data on certain OSCE-mandated bias motivations have not been reported.

Official Data

The figure presented here includes 244 incidents of discrimination, defamation and public insults. These categories fall outside of the OSCE concept of hate crimes and are therefore not included in the breakdown by type of crime below.

Year	Hate crimes recorded by police	Prosecuted	Sentenced
2015	1,790	not available	not available


Police data by bias motivation
739
Racist and xenophobic
715
Anti-Semitic
336
Anti-Muslim


Police data by type of crime
812
Vandalism
548
Threats/ threatening behaviour
214
Damage to property
164
Physical assault
31
Homicide
21
Arson

National Developments

In the framework of the "Action Plan against Racism and Anti-Semitism 2015-2017," a circular was published on 4 December 2015. This circular instructed prosecutors to request sentences that include an educational component as part of perpetrator's sentences.

Incidents reported by civil society

No data reported to ODIHR.

View civil society incidents for France, 2015