

Norway Hate Crime Report 2018

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Summary

Norway regularly reports hate crime data to ODIHR. In 2021, the Norway Police established a National Expertise Group on Hate Crime. The Group is part of the Oslo Police District and is a reinforcement of the Oslo Police District's Hate Crime Unit. The mandate of the Group is to build the capacities of the regional police districts through training and guidance and, if necessary, to provide assistance in specific cases.

The Attorney General's Annual Circular, which sets out goals and priorities for the year for police and prosecution services, has included hate crime as a priority area for over 20 years. This means that hate crime cases, whatever the severity, are given priority and cannot be dismissed due to capacity or other reasons within police districts.

[Hate crime data collection in Norway](#)

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ODIHR's Key Observation

ODIHR observes that Norway has not reported on hate crimes separately from cases of hate speech

Official Data

The number presented here refers to police-recorded incidents. The sum of disaggregated figures below adds up to more than the total because crimes can be recorded under more than one bias motivation. Both numbers include hate speech and discrimination incidents, which fall outside of OSCE's definition of hate crimes.

Year	Hate crimes recorded by police	Prosecuted	Sentenced
2018	624	60	37

Police data by bias motivation

Because there may be several motives registered in one criminal case, the number of police-recorded hate crimes by bias motivation below is higher (699) than the overall figure presented above (624).

455

Racist and xenophobic hate crime

112

Other hate crime based on religion or belief

92

Anti-LGBTI hate crime

18

Disability hate crime

15

Anti-Semitic hate crime

1

Unspecified

Police data by type of crime

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693

n/a

National Developments

The **Police Directorate** has issued guidelines for registering hate crimes for use by all police officers when receiving reports of hate crimes.

The authorities have continued implementing two action plans: the *Action Plan against Anti-Semitism 2016-2020*; and the *LGBTI Action Plan: Safety, Diversity, Openness 2017-2020*, on countering discrimination based on sexual orientation, gender identity and gender expression.

Incidents reported by civil society

Total 1 incidents



Anti-Muslim hate crime

Violent attacks against people

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.

[View civil society incidents for Norway, 2018](#)