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HATE CRIME REPORTING

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Summary

Spain regularly reports hate crime data to ODIHR. Spain publishes annual reports on hate crimes.

The Ministry of Interior has a dedicated protocol that regulates how law enforcement handles hate crime cases and sets out the specific rights of hate crime victims. Within the Ministry, the Spanish National Office Against Hate Crimes (ONDOD) is responsible for the Hate Crime Action Plan (adopted for 2019-2021, 2022-2024 and 2025-2028). Currently, the Action Plan covers the areas of victim support, hate crime prevention, training and awareness raising, co-ordination among state authorities, civil society and the private sector, development of a monitoring and co-ordination system for hate crime investigation, and the allocation of adequate human resources for the National Police and the Civil Guard.

In 2023, Spain implemented a new national Strategic Framework against racism and xenophobia.

In 2019, Spain implemented ODIHR's Training Against Hate Crime for Law Enforcement (TAHCLE) programme, and the Prosecutor General's Office has established a network of dedicated hate crime prosecutors across the country. A regional TAHCLE was implemented in Valencia in 2016.

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

ODIHR's Key Observation

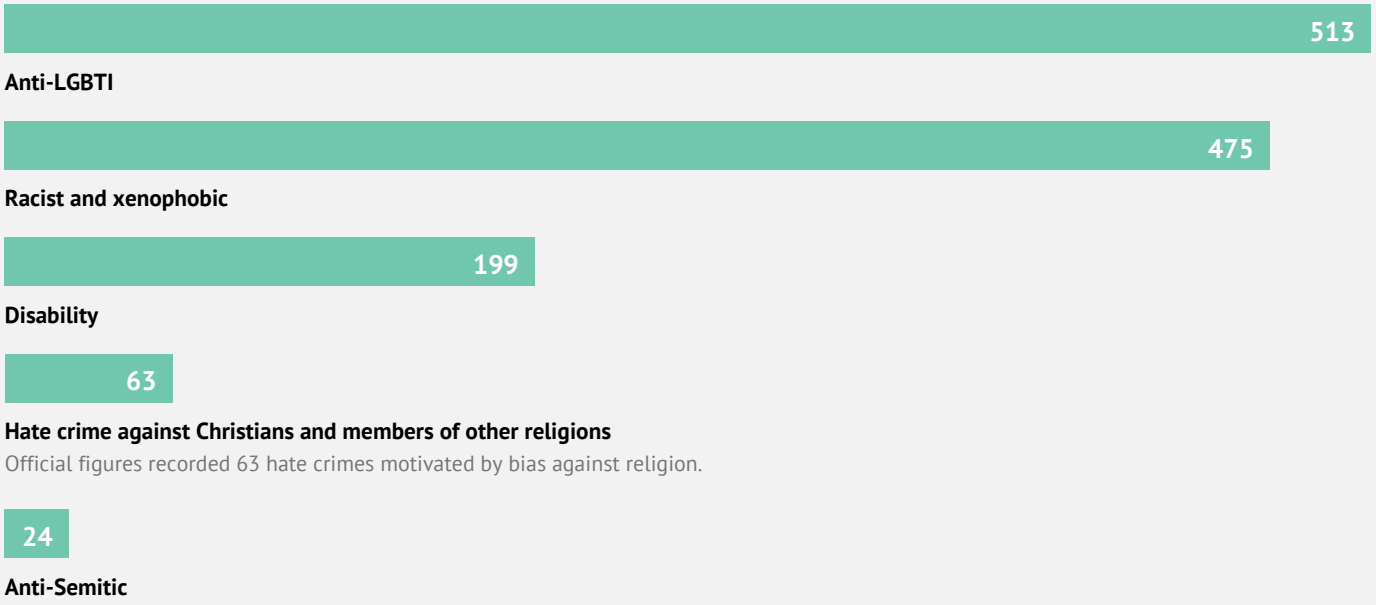
ODIHR observes that Spain has not reported to ODIHR the numbers of prosecuted hate crime cases or information on sentenced hate crime cases.

Official Data

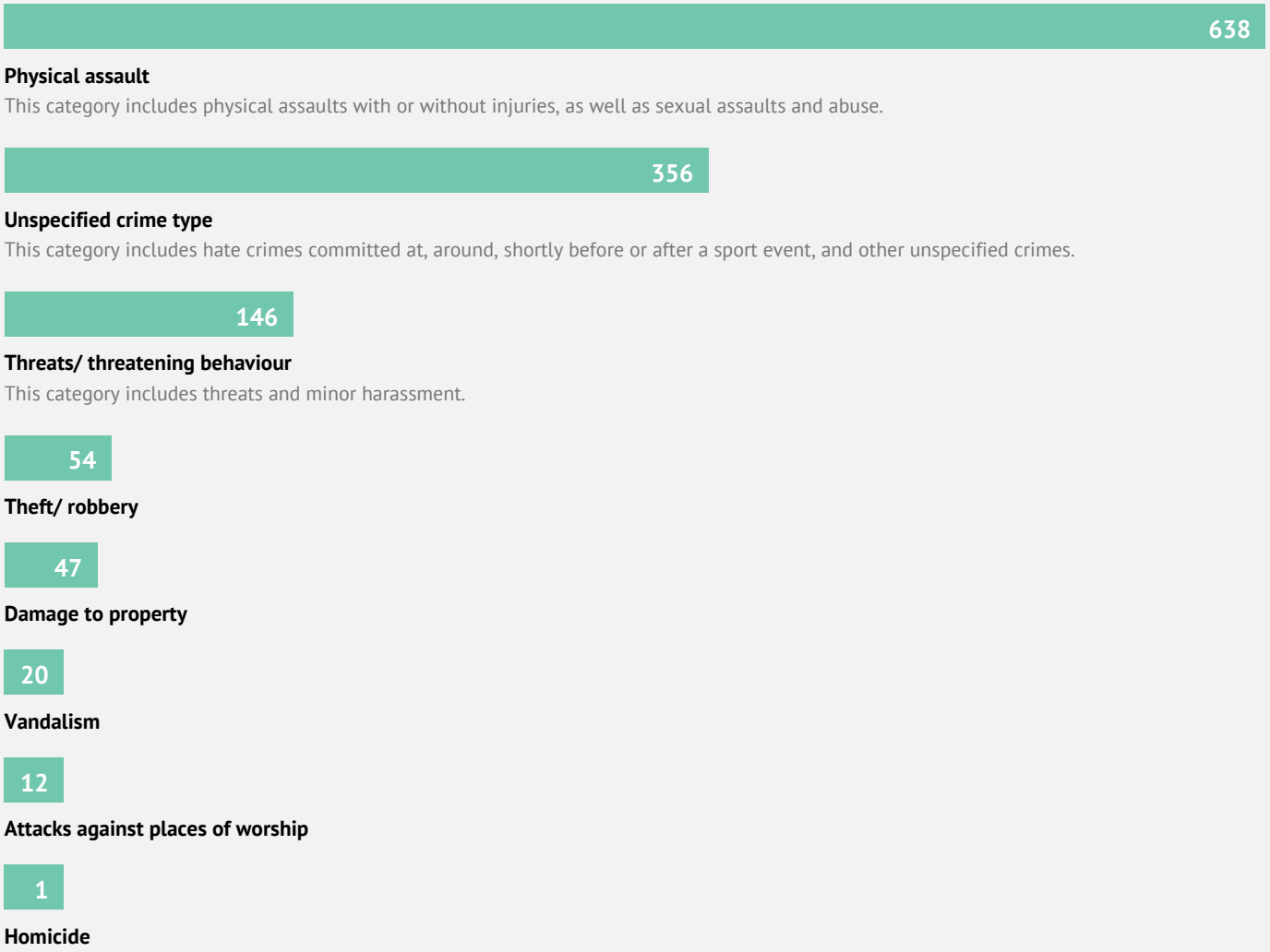
The figure presented here includes 11 cases of hate crimes motivated by "fear of the poor" that are not included in the breakdown by bias motivation below, as these do not fall under the OSCE definition of hate crimes.

Year	Hate crimes recorded by police	Prosecuted	Sentenced
2014	1,285	not available	not available

Police data by bias motivation



Police data by type of crime



National Developments

The first Action Protocol for the State Security Forces on Hate Crimes has been developed by the **Ministry of Interior**. It provides the security forces with a list of bias indicators to focus on in order to ensure correct collection of evidence and registering of hate crimes.

The **Ministry of Interior** further created a function description for "Hate crime police officers". These specialists from the **State Security Forces** will maintain contact with civil society in order to better prevent and resolve hate crimes.

The **Ministry of Employment and Social Security** has begun training teachers on how to detect racist or xenophobic incidents at schools.

Spanish authorities have worked on a Practical Guide on Discrimination, to be published in July 2015, which synthesizes all available information on how and where to report hate crimes and discrimination incidents in Spain.

Incidents reported by civil society

No data reported to ODIHR.

View civil society incidents for Spain, 2014