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HATE CRIME REPORTING

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## Summary

The United States regularly reports hate crime data to ODIHR. The United States publishes hate crime data annually.

Following a 2021 review by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), hate crimes were included in the top-level category of priorities (Band 1 National Threat Priority), resulting in an increase in resources allocated to tackling hate crimes. By partnering with the national Hate Crime Coalition, the FBI consults closely with civil society organizations (CSOs), including to develop and update the FBI Hate Crime Data Collection Guidelines and training materials.

In 2020, the Department of Justice issued a comprehensive "Law Enforcement Roundtable Report on Hate Crimes", setting forth key recommendations and action steps to combat hate crime.

Hate crime data collection in the United States
Hate crime victim support in the United States
Hate crime capacity building in the United States
The United States's hate crime legislation

## ODIHR's Key Observation

ODIHR observes that the United States has not reported information on sentenced hate crime cases to ODIHR.

## Official Data

US data reports by incidents, offenses, victims and 'known' offenders. FBI reports overall total using 'offenses' label, therefore, these are the figures included. Only offenses with one recorded bias are shown in the breakdown below. Prosecution data refers to prosecutions carried out under federal law by the U.S. Department of Justice's Civil Rights Division and U.S. Attorneys Offices throughout the country. The vast majority of hate crimes in the United States are prosecuted at the state and local level, for which no figures are currently compiled. Figures refer to the fiscal year running from April 2013 to March 2014.

| Year | Hate crimes recorded by police | Prosecuted | Sentenced |
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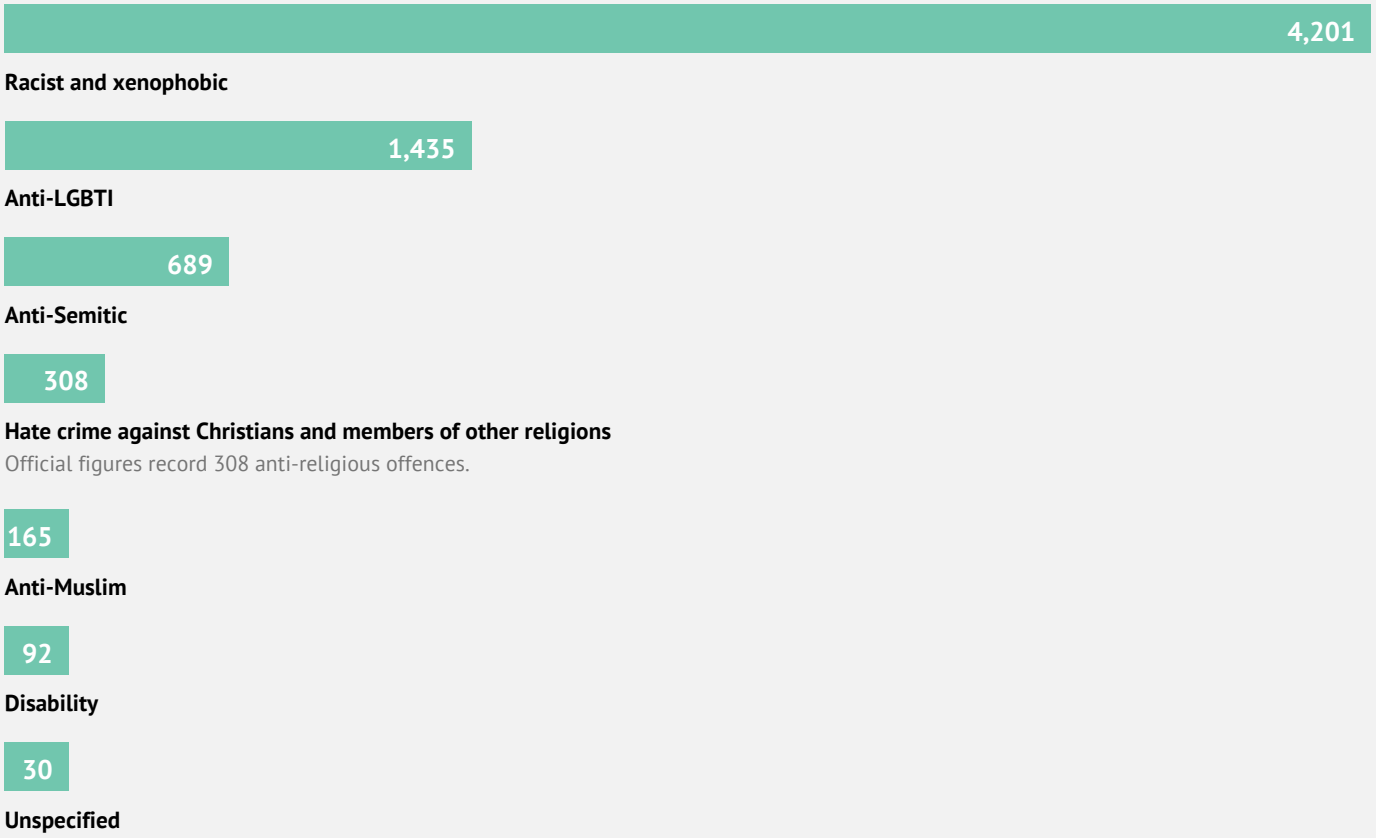
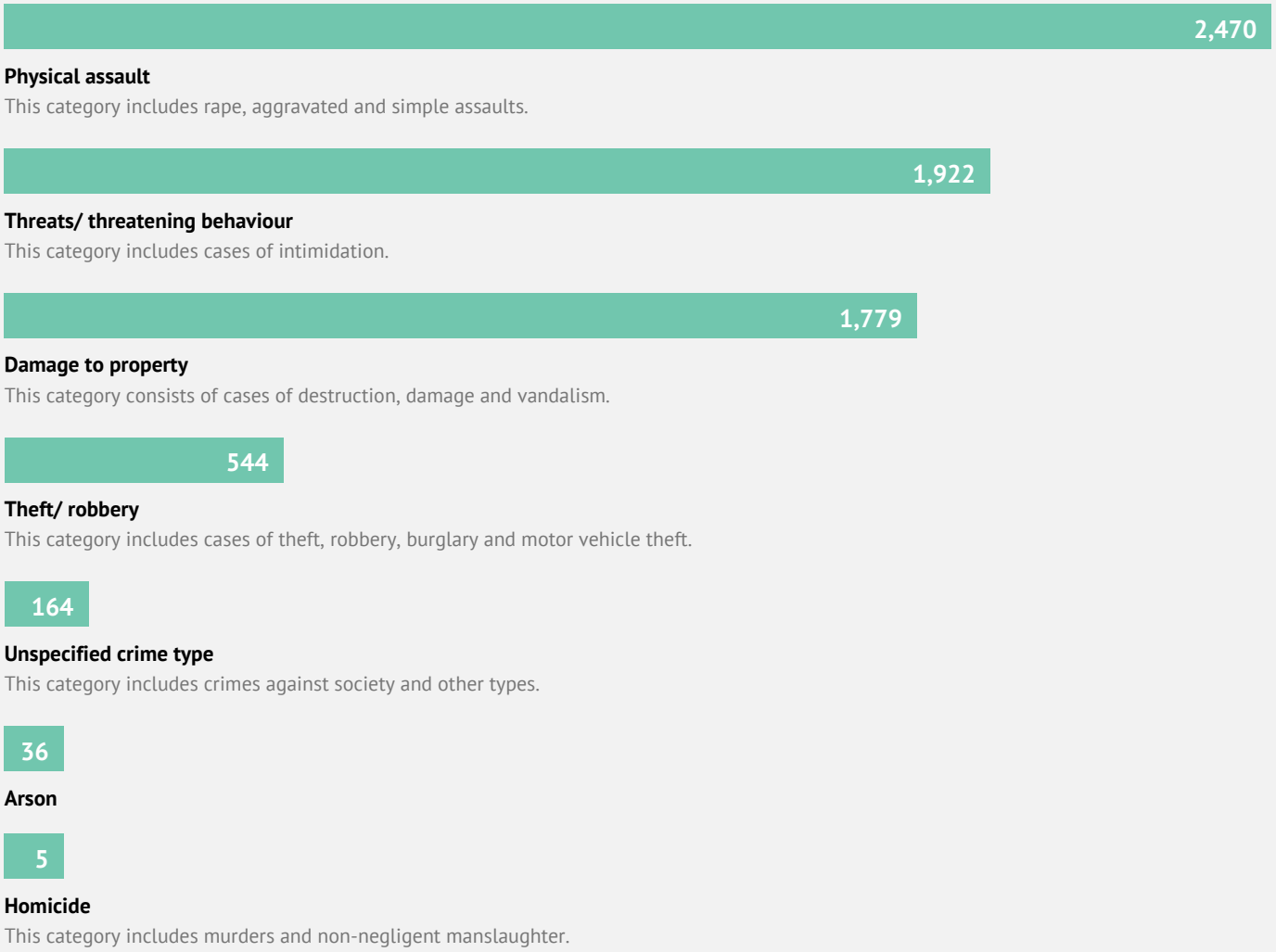
| 2013 | 6,933 | 22 | not available |

## Police data by bias motivation



## Police data by type of crime



## National Developments

Following a gun attack against a Sikh Temple in Wisconsin in 2012, the **U.S. Department of Justice**'s Civil Rights Division and the Community Relations Service (CRS) brought together representatives from 22 religious and interfaith organizations to discuss data collection relating to religion-based attacks on individuals and places of worship. Following this meeting, the Federal Bureau of Investigation's (FBI) data collection system was amended to include anti-Sikh, anti-Hindu and anti-Arab categories both in the coding sheets filled out by police following an attack and in the hate crime reports that the FBI produces each year. Reporting under the new categories will begin in January 2015. As part of this initiative, the Civil Rights Division will be conducting a series of five regional trainings on hate crime prosecutions and data collection in 2015.

# Incidents reported by civil society

*No data reported to ODIHR.*

View civil society incidents for United States of America, 2013