HATE CRIME



Crime in Illinois 2020 Hate Crime

Hate Crime Data

The reporting of select hate crime offenses is mandated by Chapter 50 of the Illinois Compiled Statutes, 709/5. A hate crime is committed when, by reason of the actual or perceived race, color, creed, religion, ancestry, gender, sexual orientation, physical or mental disability, or national origin of another individual or group of individuals, a person commits an offense against the individual or group of individuals. Additionally, the Hate Crime Statistics Act of 1990 mandates the reporting of hate crime offenses to the Federal Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program, administered by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI).

An important qualifier must be present when reporting a hate crime. The fact that the offender is biased against the victim's race, religion, disability, sexual orientation, or ethnicity/national origin does not mean that a hate crime occurred. The offender's criminal act must have been motivated by his bias. Before an offense can be reported as a hate crime, sufficient facts must be present to lead a reasonable person to conclude that the offender's actions were motivated by their bias. Acts of vandalism (graffiti being the most common) are reported only when the owner of the property vandalized is a member of the bias group targeted. Graffiti may be reported as assault if a member of the bias group cannot avoid the graffiti and is fearful for his/her safety.

The Federal UCR Program's offense definitions do not always align with Illinois Compiled Statutes (ILCS) offense definitions. Example: The ILCS offense of battery equates to the Federal UCR Program offense of assault. This creates the potential for discrepancies between hate crime statistics published in the annual Crime in Illinois versus Crime in the United States publications.

Several enhancements were implemented in 2014 to the hate crime reporting process. There was a significant increase in the number of locations that could be reported to identify where the incident took place, and the addition of gender-related bias motivations. Additional religious-related bias motivations were added in 2015.

Illinois UCR Program		Federal UCR Program		
Criminal Homicide	->	Murder		
Criminal Sexual Assault	->	Rape		
Robbery	->	Robbery		
Aggravated Battery	->	Aggravated Assault		
Battery	->	Simple Assault		
Aggravated Assault	->	Aggravated Assault		
Assault	->	Intimidation		
Burglary	->	Burglary		
Theft	->	Larceny/Theft		
Motor Vehicle Theft	->	Motor Vehicle Theft		
Arson	->	Arson		
Criminal Damage to Property	->	Destruction/Damage/Vandalism		

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Bias Motivation by Offense

Bias Nature	Group Percent	Bias Type	# of Offenses	Percent of Category	Percent of Total
Race/ Ethnicity/ Ancestry	75.3%	Anti - White Anti - Black Anti - Asian Anti - Arab Anti - Hispanic or Latino Anti - Not Hispanic or Latino Anti - Multi-Races, Groups	3 44 4 2 7 3 1	4.7% 68.8% 6.3% 3.1% 10.9% 4.7% 1.6%	3.5% 51.8% 4.7% 2.4% 8.2% 3.5% 1.2%
Religion	5.9%	Anti - Jewish Anti - Islamic (Muslim)	3 2	60.0% 40.0%	3.5% 2.4%
Sexuality	15.3%	Anti - Gay (Male) Anti - Lesbian Anti - Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, or Transgender	9 1 3	69.2% 7.7% 23.1%	10.6% 1.2% 3.5%
Gender Identity	2.4%	Anti - Transgender	2	100.0%	2.4%
Gender	1.2%	Anti - Female	1	100.0%	1.2%
TOTAL	100.0%	TOTAL	85	100.0%	100.0%

Hate Crime Offenses

	# of	% of
Offense Type	Offenses	Total
Agg. Battery/Agg. Assault	21	24.7%
Arson	0	0.0%
Assault	17	20.0%
Battery	23	27.1%
Criminal Damage to Property	23	27.1%
Homicide	1	1.1%
TOTAL	85	100.0%

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Hate Crime Offenses by Location

Location	# of Offenses	% of Total
Air/Bus/Train Terminal	4	4.7%
Church/Synagogue/Temple/Mosque	1	1.2%
Fields/Woods	1	1.2%
Department/Discount Store	1	1.2%
Drug Store/Doctor's Office/Hospital	1	1.2%
Hotel/Motel	1	1.2%
Highway/Road/Alley/Street	17	20.0%
Government/Public Building	1	1.2%
Other/Unknown	14	16.5%
Park/Playground	7	8.2%
Parking Lot/Garage	9	10.6%
Residence/Home	23	27.1%
Restaurant	1	1.2%
School/College	1	1.2%
School - Elementary/Secondary	2	2.4%
Service/Gas Station	1	1.2%
TOTAL	85	100.0%

Hate Crime Offenses by Offender Race

	# of	% of
Offender's Race	Offenders	Total
Black	30	31.3%
Unknown	13	13.5%
White	53	55.2%
TOTAL	96	100.0%

Hate Crime Offenses by Offender Ethnicity

	# of	% of
Offender's Ethnicity	Offenders	Total
Hispanic or Latino	6	6.3%
Not Hispanic or Latino	38	39.6%
Unknown	52	54.2%
TOTAL	96	100.0%

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Bias Type per Offense Percentages

Bias Type	Homicide	Aggravated Assault Aggravated Battery	Assault	Battery	Criminal Sexual Assault
Anti - White	_	1.2%	2.4%	_	_
Anti - Black	_	10.6%	14.1%	9.4%	_
Anti - Asian	_	1.2%	1.2%	1.2%	_
Anti - Multiple Races	_	_	_	1.2%	_
Anti - Arab	_	1.2%	_	_	_
Anti - Hispanic or Latino	_	1.2%	2.4%	2.4%	_
Anti - Not Hispanic or Latino	_	1.2%	_	2.4%	_
Anti - Jewish	_	_	_	_	_
Anti - Islamic (Muslim)	_	_	_	2.4%	_
Anti - Catholic	_	_	_	_	_
Anti - Other Christian	_	_	_	_	_
Anti - Buddhist	_	_	_	_	_
Anti - Mental Disability	_	_	_	_	_
Anti - Gay (Male)	_	4.7%	_	5.9%	_
Anti - Lesbian	_	_	_	_	_
Anti - Transgender	_	1.2%	_	_	_
Anti - Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, or Transgender (Mixed Group)	1.2%	1.2%	_	_	_
Anti - Female			_	1.2%	

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Bias Type per Offense Percentages

Bias Type	Criminal Damage to Property	Robbery	Burglary	Theft	Arson
Anti - White	_	_	_	_	_
Anti - Black	17.6%	_	_	_	_
Anti - Asian	1.2%	_	_	_	_
Anti - Multiple Races	_	_	_	_	_
Anti - Arab	1.2%	_	_	_	_
Anti - Hispanic or Latino	2.4%	_	_	_	_
Anti - Not Hispanic or Latino	_	_	_	_	_
Anti - Jewish	3.5%	_	_	_	_
Anti - Islamic (Muslim)	_	_	_	_	_
Anti - Other Religion	_	_	_	_	_
Anti - Other Christian	_	_	_	_	_
Anti - Buddhist	_	_	_	_	_
Anti - Mental Disability	_	_	_	_	_
Anti - Gay (Male)	_	_	_	_	_
Anti - Lesbian	1.2%	_	_	_	_
Anti - Transgender	_	_	_	_	_
Anti - Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, or Transgender (Mixed Group)		_	_	_	_
Anti - Female			_	_	_