

Hate Crime in Massachusetts 2023



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Massachusetts Hate Crimes, 2023

Executive Summary

Notes on Data

This report is written in accordance with Section 34 of Chapter 22C of the Massachusetts General Laws. The 2023 Hate Crime Report for Massachusetts was compiled using data voluntarily supplied by police departments across the Commonwealth. The Executive Office of Public Safety & Security (EOPSS) received a total of 557 reports of incidents of hate crime (up from 440 in 2022) from 89 municipal police departments, 14 campus police agencies and the Massachusetts Environmental Police. In addition, 314 agencies submitted “zero reports” (indicating that they had experienced no bias-motivated incidents) and there were 41 non-reporting agencies. In 2023, reporting agencies and zero-reporting agencies covered approximately 98% of the population of Massachusetts. After receipt and state data quality checks, EOPSS submits all Massachusetts hate crime data to the FBI for further analysis, verification, and inclusion in its annual *Hate Crime Statistics* publication. EOPSS continues to verify and update hate crime reports after submission to the FBI, and as a result, the data in this report may not match the FBI’s published data.

Data was collected utilizing the National Incident Based Reporting System (NIBRS). Year 2020 was the last year that the FBI collected UCR or Summary Reporting System (SRS) data, fully transitioning to NIBRS for the 2021 data collection. Agencies report Hate Crimes by exporting data from their records management system (RMS) in accordance with the FBI’s NIBRS program and uploading their files to EOPSS, or by manually entering pertinent data fields through EOPSS’ Sidearm data portal. EOPSS then extracts the required data for analysis and forwards it to the FBI. It is important to note that several of the categories displayed in this report are only available in NIBRS, so comparisons to prior years may be misleading or incomplete as certain data elements were previously not captured via UCR.

Bias Motivation

A “hate crime,” which can be referred to interchangeably as a “bias crime” or “bias-related / motivated crime,” is not reported as a stand-alone offense, but rather as part of a separate criminal violation, ranging from vandalism to harassment to violent crimes. Of the 578 hate crime offenses reported in 2023, the most frequent offenses were Vandalism / Damage / Destruction of Property (35.3%), which is often graffiti or the defacing of property and Intimidation (29.6%). Simple Assault and Aggravated Assault incidents both had a significant portion of offenses accounting for 17.6% & 10.2% respectively. In terms of violent crime, there were 59 bias-motivated Aggravated Assaults reported in 2023, which is up slightly from the 54 reported in 2022. In 2023, as in 2022, there were 0 bias-motivated homicides, after reporting 2 in 2021. Historically, Vandalism and Intimidation are the top two offenses reported during bias incidents and in recent years have each accounted for approximately 30% of offenses. (See Table 1.)

In 2023, similar to years past, prejudice against race / ethnicity or national origin was the most widely reported bias motivation representing 45.1% of the total (down from 53.2% in 2022). Bias against religious groups surpassed bias against sexual orientation with 24.6% (up from 21.1% in 2022). Sexual orientation was third with 19.7% of the total (the same as reported in 2022). (See Figure 1 & Table 2.)

Victims and Offenders

As in previous years, males were the most frequent victims (57.5% of known victims). This number has been in the 50-60% range for the past several years whereas prior numbers reached 70% of victims being reported as male as recently as 2012. The known offenders of hate crimes continue to be predominantly male with 75.2% of offenders identified as males. Females were victims in 42.5% of incidents where the sex of the victim was identified. Females as a percentage of offenders where sex was determined accounted for 24.8% (up from 18% in 2022). (For a breakdown of victims and offenders by gender, please refer to Tables 14 and 16.) When the race of the victim was determined by NIBRS agencies, whites were the most frequent racial category as victims 58.3% (up from 56% in 2022). White offenders accounted for 73% of known offenders (up from 72.8% in 2022). African American victims of both genders comprised 32.6% of the total victim population, down from 35.7% the previous year. African American offenders comprised 24.2% of offenders, down from 24.5% the previous year. (See Table 15.)

Victims were reported to have some type of injury in 13.6% of cases. This is a decrease as compared to last year's 15.9% and past years, where typical numbers hover around 7-8% of incidents resulting in some injury. Of the 76 total injuries, 14 resulted in a major injury of some type which is an increase from 16 in 2022. (See Table 17.)

Location

Bias incidents reported by police agencies in Massachusetts occur in a variety of locations, both public and private. In 2023, 24.6% of incidents occurred at a residence or home, while an additional 18.3% occurred on a highway or street. Combining all school categories resulted in 13.3%, which is a decrease from the 13.6% in 2022. (See Table 11.) Other location types with 10 or more incidents were commercial / office building; other / unknown; church / synagogue / temple mosque; Government / public building; park / playground and restaurant. Religious locations were reported 35 times or in 6.1% of incidents. This is a significant increase from the 15 incidents reported in 2022.

Targets

Individuals and private property were the primary targets for hate crimes in the Commonwealth, with 77.7% of the reports, down from 80.8% in 2022. Business targets were the second most frequent target in 2023 with 9% of the reports. Government targets were reported in 6.5% of incidents. (See Table 10.)

Hate Crimes Historical Perspective

Over the past 25 years, the numbers and the categories of bias motivations have remained fairly consistent. Between 2000 and 2002, approximately 500 bias motivations were reported each year. From 2003 through 2018, the number declined to an average of about 360 incidents per year and has remained extremely consistent over this extended period. Over this time-period, the most frequently reported bias motivations have remained similar: Anti-Black bias has consistently been most frequent, followed by Anti-Gay, Anti-Semitic and Anti-White. The 557 incidents reported in 2023 were the highest reported since 2002 and was a 26.5% increase over 2022.

Counts of Incidents and Offenses 2014 - 2023											
Crime Count	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Average
Incidents	415	411	389	427	351	376	385	406	440	557	415.7
Offenses	429	424	411	438	390	421	395	424	458	578	436.8

Definitions

Hate Crime

Any criminal act to which a bias motive is evident as a contributing factor. The MA Hate Crime Reporting Act of 1991 covers bias on account of race, religion, ethnicity, handicap, gender, or sexual orientation. Hate crimes can be reported only by law enforcement agencies. See M.G.L. c. 22C, § 32 for more details.

Zero Report

An official report by a police department stating no hate crimes were reported to the department during the reporting period.

Non-reporting agencies

Local police departments, and other law enforcement agencies, which are not in compliance with the provisions of the Reporting Act. These agencies failed to indicate how many, if any, bias crimes occurred in their jurisdiction.

Reporting agencies

Local police departments, as well as other law enforcement agencies, who have voluntarily reported the incidence of identified bias crimes in their jurisdiction. Agencies can comply with the Reporting Act by reporting the number of bias crimes, even if zero.

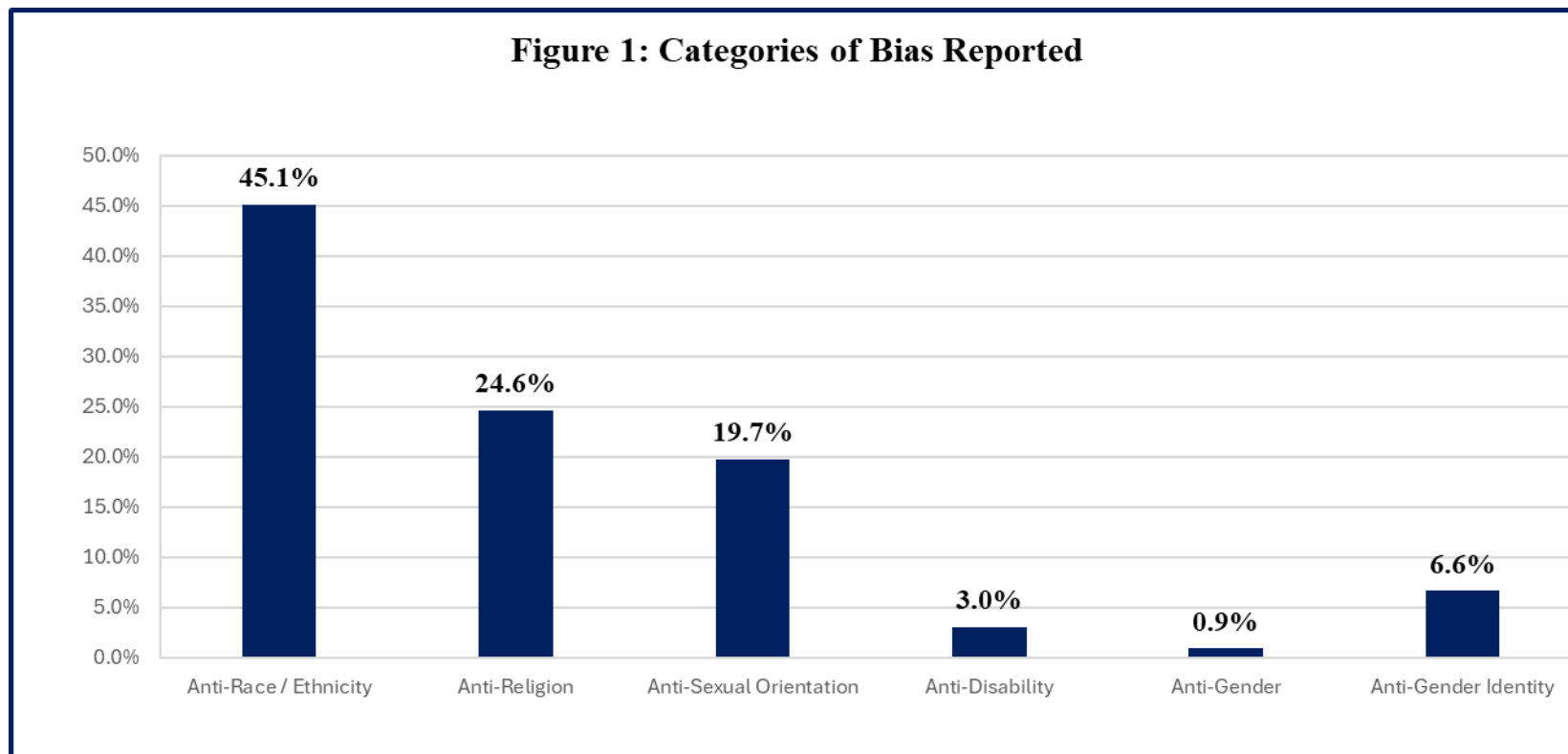
Reports by Law Enforcement Agencies

In the statistics that follow, it should be noted that a single incident report may include multiple offenses, bias motivations, victims or offenders. As a result, totals in some categories may exceed the number of reports. Similarly, some reports omit information in certain categories, resulting in totals lower than the number of incident reports collected.

Hate crimes were reported by a total of 104 different law enforcement agencies. A total of 557 hate crime reports were filed by these agencies, which included 578 separate offenses and 634 reported biases. Boston reported 192 hate crimes in 2023 up from 159 in 2022. Other agencies that reported 10 or more hate crimes were: Cambridge (55), Newton (20), Somerville (16), Medford (14), Arlington (12), and Brookline (12). (See Figure 7 and Table 19.)

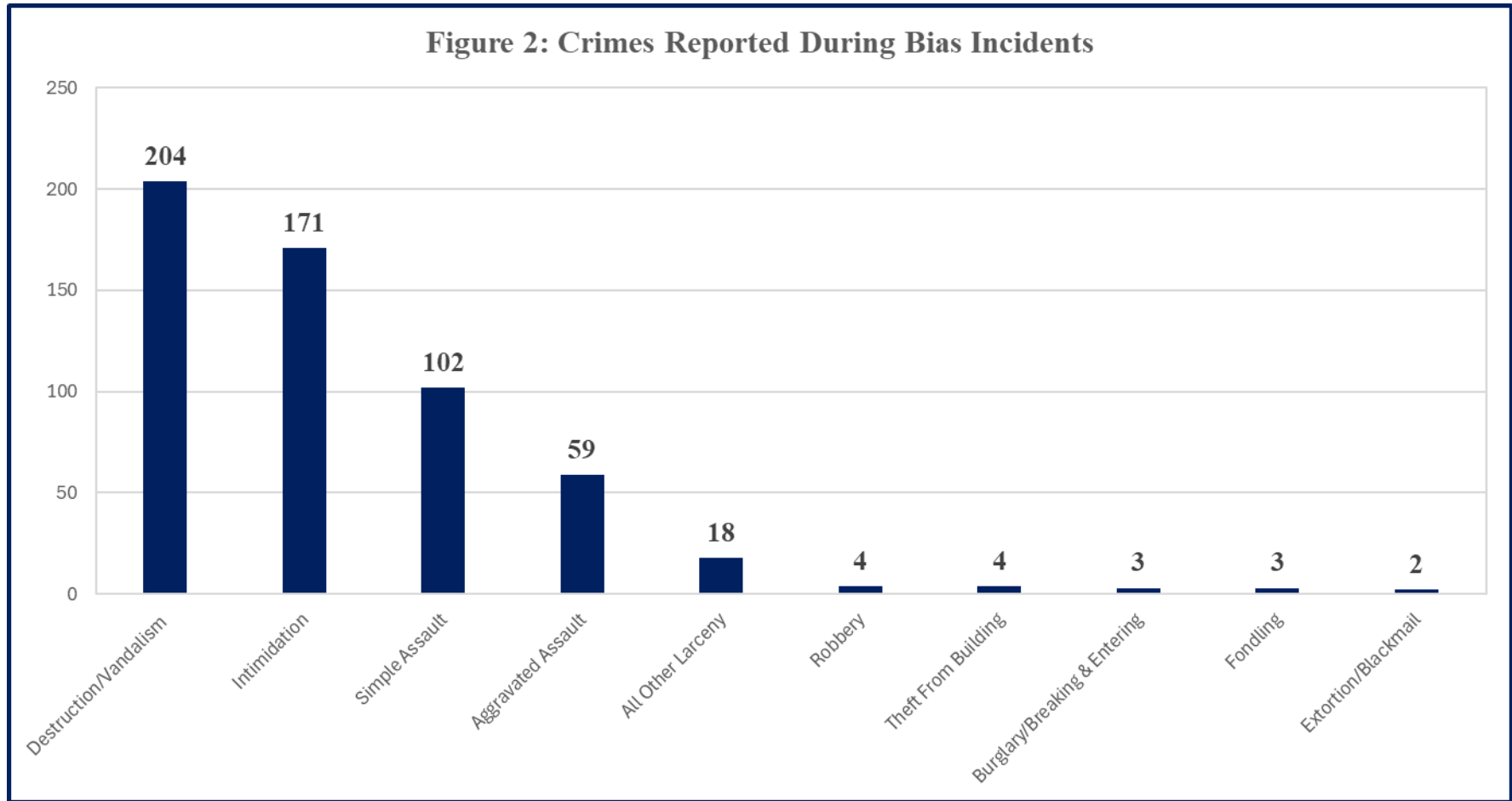
Categories of Bias Reported

Of the 634 bias motivations for particular incidents reported, race / ethnicity / national origin bias constituted the largest category of reported motives, with 45.1% of the total (down from 53.2% in 2022). Offenses related to religious affiliation were the second most prevalent, with 24.6% (up from 21.1% in 2022). Offenses motivated by sexual orientation were the third most frequent category, with 19.7% of the total (the same as reported in 2022). Gender identity hate crimes did increase from 24 in 2022 to 42 in 2023.



Categories of Crimes Reported

Of the 578 total offenses reported, Vandalism / Destruction of Property was the most frequently reported with 204 offenses, representing 35.3% of the total. Intimidation was the second most frequently reported offense, with 171 incidents representing 29.6% of the total offenses. Assaults also formed a significant portion of incidents, accounting for 17.6% and 10.2% respectively. Combining Aggravated and Simple Assaults would yield 161 assaults where offenders physically confronted a victim, which is an increase compared to last year's total of 154.



* Please note: Categories with only 1 incident are not displayed in Figure 2 but can be found in Table 1.

Victim and Offender Profile

An Individual / Person (including private property) was the target in 77.7% of cases (down from 80.8% in 2022). Business targets were second, with 9% (up from 6.7%). Government targets were the third most frequently targeted group with 6.5% of the incidents (down from 5.8% in 2022). Religious targets were chosen in 18 incidents or 2.7% of incidents (up from 1.5% the previous year).

In the 432 NIBRS incidents where the victim's race was reported, whites were victims 58.3% of the time (up from 56% in 2022), while African Americans were victims in 32.6% of cases (down from 35.7% in 2022). In the incidents where the victim's gender was reported, the victims were male in 57.5% of cases. This year, the most common age groups reporting hate crimes were 21-25 (14.2%) and 31-35-year-olds (14%). (See Table 8 & 13.)

The perpetrators of hate crimes were white in 73% of cases (up from 72.8% in 2022) and African American in 24.2% of cases (up from 24.5% in 2022), in the 356 cases where this information was identified. The perpetrator was male in 75.2% of known cases (down from 82% in 2022), and of the cases where the offender(s)'s age group was identified, the most frequently reported age group was 11-15 with 15.2%.

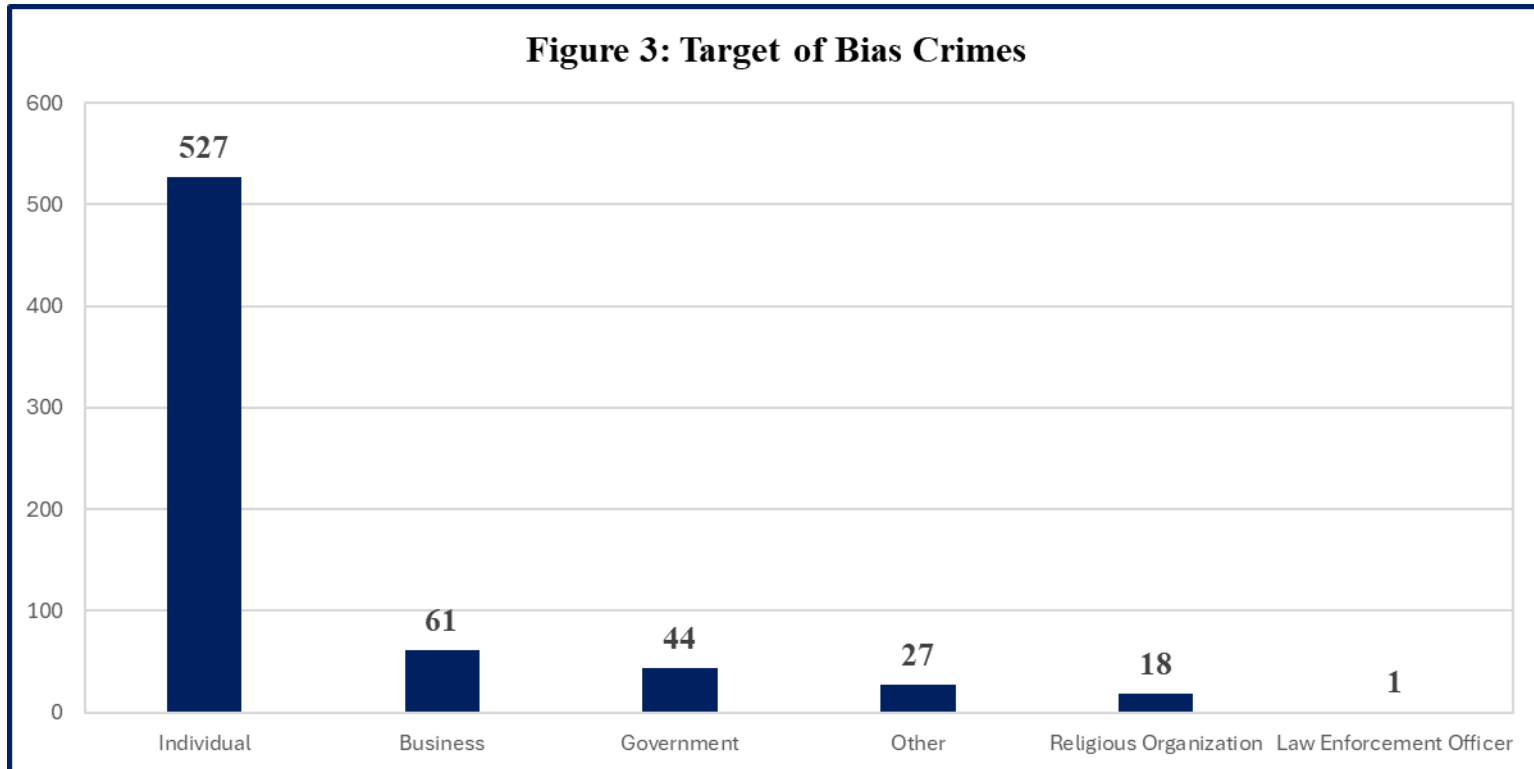


Figure 4: Victim and Offender by Race

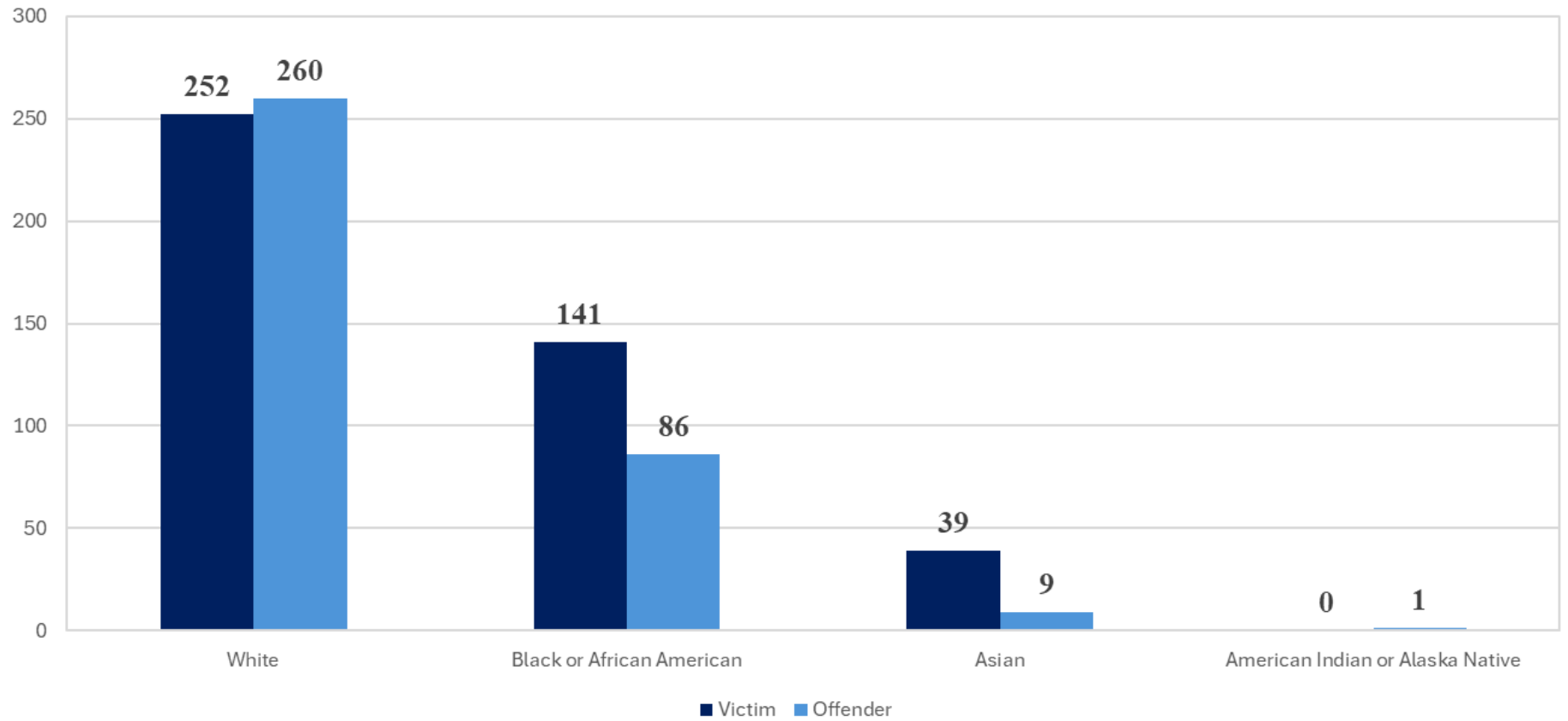


Figure 5: Victim and Offender by Age Group

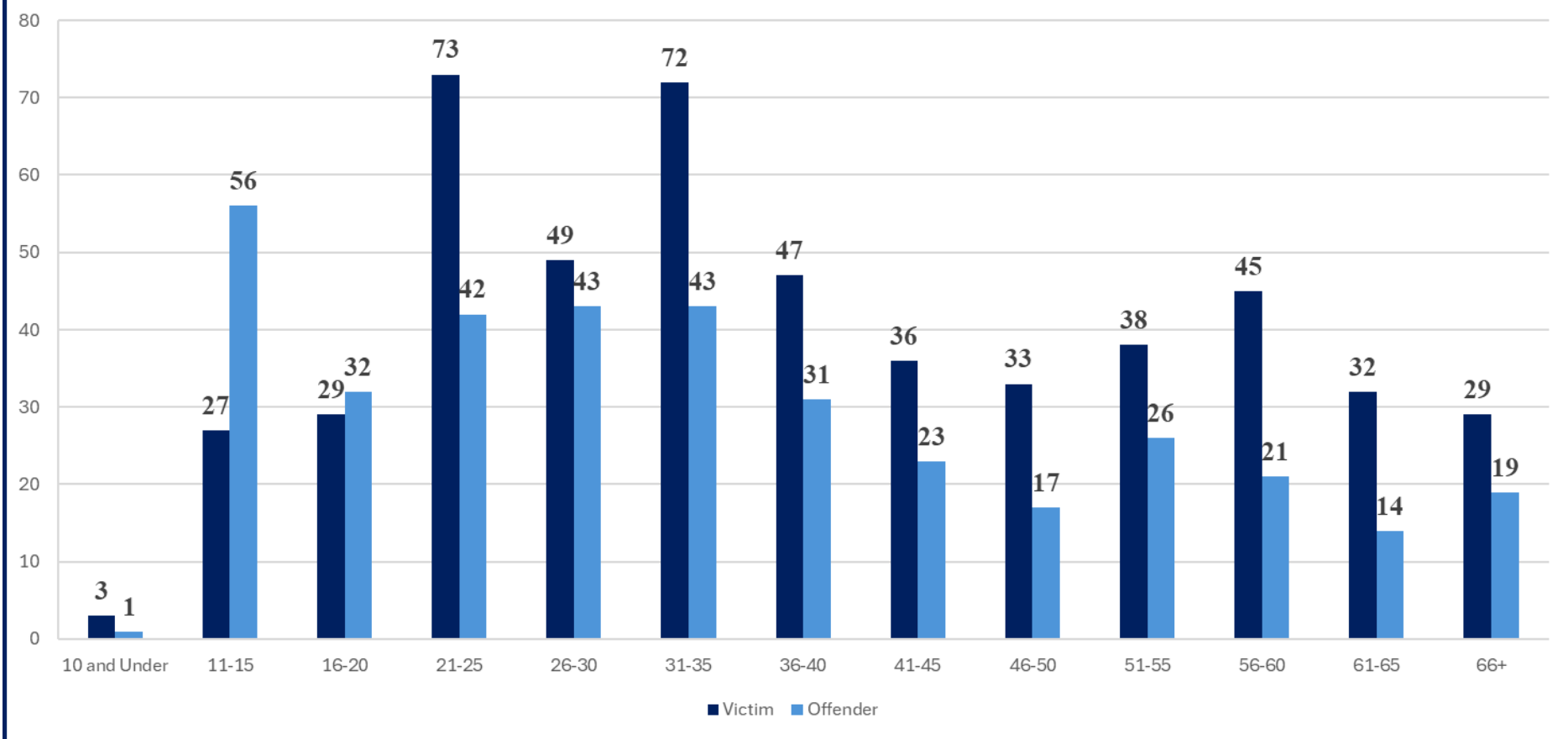


Figure 6: Victim and Offender by Sex

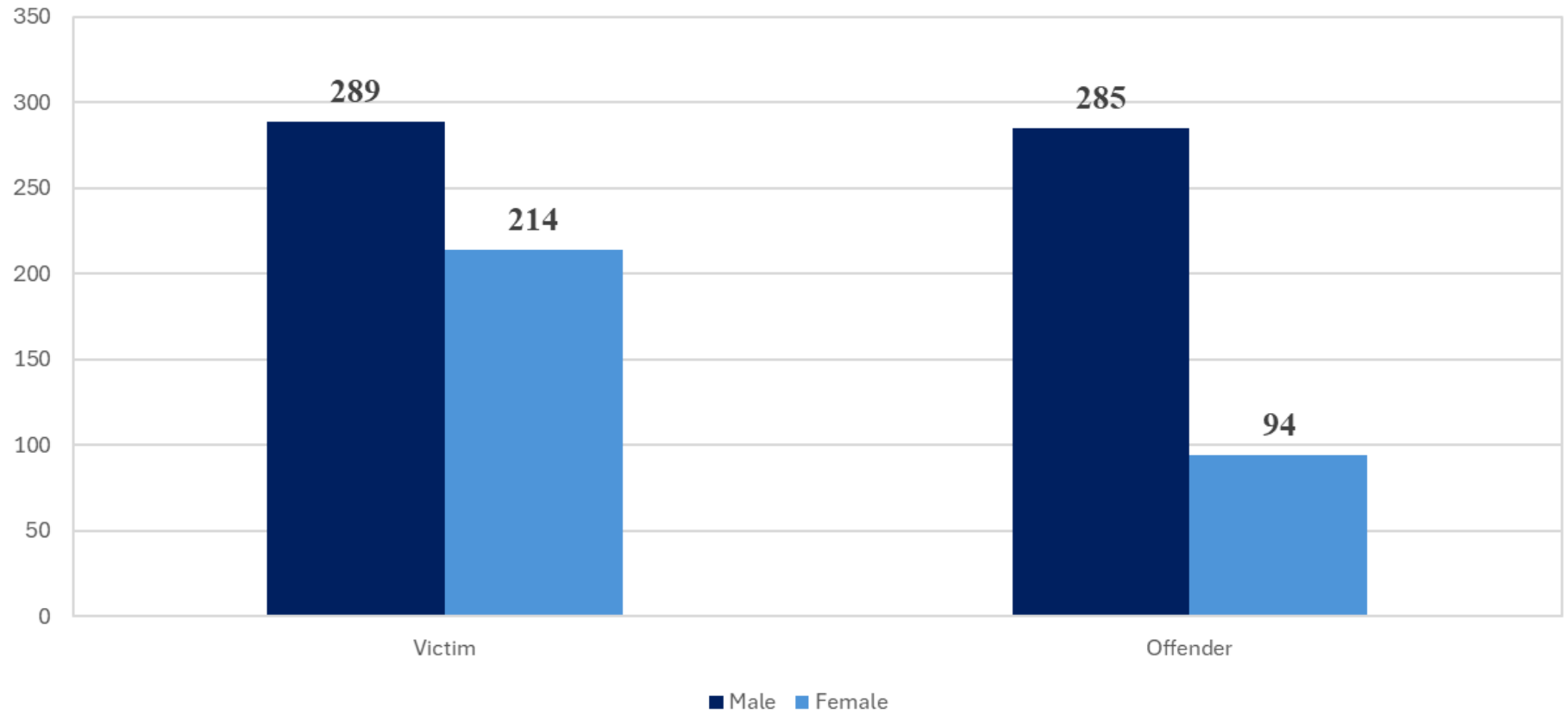
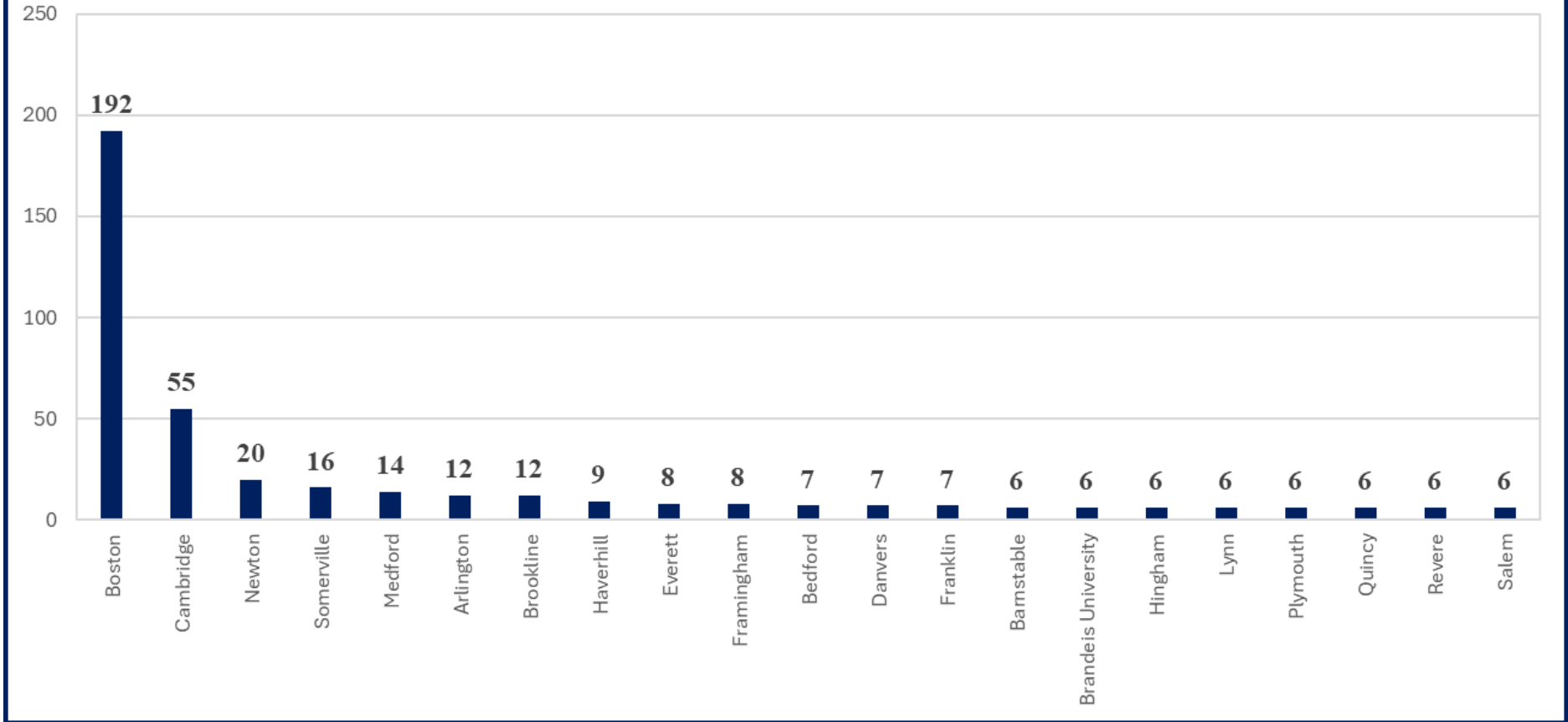


Figure 7: Agencies with 6 or More Reported Hate Crime Incidents



* Please note: For a full listing of Hate Crimes by Jurisdiction, please see Table 19.

Characteristics of the Incidents

The most common location for hate crime incidents to occur in 2023 was a Residence / Home (24.6%, down from 28.3% in 2022); followed by Highway / Road / Street / Sidewalk (18.3%, down from 19.2% in 2022); and Commercial / Office building (6.4%, up from 2.8% in 2022). (See Table 11.)

Weapons of some type were reported in 141 incidents, which is up from 132 in 2022. In cases where the type of weapon was identified, hands / fist / feet were used the most frequently (48.2%, down from 54.5% in 2022). Other weapons were the second most frequently identified, listed in 29.8% of cases. Some type of firearm was utilized in 2 incidents, down from 4 in 2022 and significantly down from 2021 where a firearm was used in 11 incidents. (See Table 12.)

In 2023, there were 76 incidents where injuries were reported. Minor injuries were reported in 62 incidents. This year, there were some other major injuries. There were 3 lacerations, 3 internal injuries, 6 other major injuries and 2 incidents where a victim lost teeth. (See Table 17.)

Appendix

Table 1: Crimes Committed During Bias Incidents		
Hate Crimes	Total	% of Total
Destruction/Vandalism	204	35.3%
Intimidation	171	29.6%
Simple Assault	102	17.6%
Aggravated Assault	59	10.2%
All Other Larceny	18	3.1%
Robbery	4	0.7%
Theft From Building	4	0.7%
Burglary/Breaking & Entering	3	0.5%
Fondling	3	0.5%
Extortion/Blackmail	2	0.3%
Arson	1	0.2%
False Pretenses/Swindle/Confidence Game	1	0.2%
Purse-Snatching	1	0.2%
Rape	1	0.2%
Shoplifting	1	0.2%
Theft From Motor Vehicle	1	0.2%
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts	1	0.2%
Weapon Law Violations	1	0.2%
Grand Total	578	100.0%

Table 2: Bias Types Reported to Police

Bias Types	2022 Total	2023 Total	% Change	% of 2023 Total
Anti-White	22	18	-18.2%	2.8%
Anti-Black or African American	158	149	-5.7%	23.5%
Anti-Asian	30	28	-6.7%	4.4%
Anti-American Indian or Alaska Native	1	0	-100.0%	0.0%
Anti-Other Race	13	23	76.9%	3.6%
Subtotal Anti-Race	224	218	-2.7%	34.4%
Anti-Arab	7	20	185.7%	3.2%
Anti-Hispanic or Latino	21	36	71.4%	5.7%
Anti-Other Race / Ethnicity / Ancestry	5	12	140.0%	1.9%
Subtotal Anti-Ethnicity	33	68	106.1%	10.7%
Anti-Jewish	70	119	70.0%	18.8%
Anti-Catholic	9	10	11.1%	1.6%
Anti-Islamic (Muslim)	13	5	-61.5%	0.8%
Anti-Hindu	3	2	-33.3%	0.3%
Anti-Buddhist	0	3	NA	1.7%
Anti-Atheism/Agnosticism	1	3	200.0%	0.5%
Anti-Eastern Orthodox	1	2	100.0%	0.3%
Anti-Sikh	0	1	NA	0.2%
Anti-Other Religion	5	11	120.0%	1.7%
Subtotal Anti-Religion	102	156	52.9%	24.6%
Anti-Gay	60	79	31.7%	12.5%
Anti-Lesbian	16	24	50.0%	3.8%
Anti-Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, or Transgender (Mixed Group)	1	3	200.0%	0.5%
Anti-Bisexual	3	2	-33.3%	0.3%
Anti-Other Sexual Orientation	15	17	13.3%	2.7%
Subtotal Anti-Sexual Orientation	95	125	31.6%	19.7%
Anti-Mental Handicap	0	12	NA	1.9%
Anti-Physical Handicap	0	6	NA	0.9%
Anti-Other Handicap	0	1	NA	0.2%
Subtotal Anti-Disability	0	19	NA	3.0%
Anti-Female	5	5	0.0%	0.8%
Anti-Male	0	1	NA	0.2%
Subtotal Anti-Gender	5	6	20.0%	0.9%
Anti-Transgender	14	36	157.1%	5.7%
Anti-Gender Non-Conforming	10	6	-40.0%	0.9%
Subtotal Anti-Gender Identity	24	42	75.0%	6.6%
Total	483	634	31.3%	100.0%

Table 3: Bias Type for Reported Offenses

Bias Type	Destruction /Vandalism	Intimidation	Simple Assault	Aggravated Assault	All Other Larceny	Theft From Building	Robbery	Burglary	Extortion / Blackmail	Fondling	Arson	False Pretenses	Purse-snatching	Rape	Shoplifting	Theft From Motor Vehicle	Theft Motor Vehicle Parts	Weapon Law Violations	Grand Total
Anti-Black	51	53	27	15	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	149
Anti-Jewish	82	23	4	2	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	119
Anti-Male Homosexual (Gay)	25	15	18	15	3	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	79
Anti-Hispanic	2	17	12	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	36
Anti-Transgender	6	14	5	3	3	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	36
Anti-Asian	1	12	9	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	28
Anti-Female Homosexual (Lesbian)	8	7	2	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	24
Anti-Other Race	5	8	8	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	23
Anti-Arab	6	8	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20
Anti-White	3	6	5	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	18
Anti-Other Sexual Orientation	11	0	3	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17
Anti-Mental Handicap	1	0	4	4	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12
Anti-Other Race/Ethnicity/Ancestry (FBI)	4	2	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	12
Anti-Catholic	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10
Anti-Other Religion	5	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8
Anti-Gender Non-Conforming	3	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
Anti-Physical Handicap	0	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
Anti-Female	0	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Anti-Islamic (Muslim)	0	2	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Anti-Atheism/Agnosticism	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Anti-Buddhist	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	3
Anti-Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, or Transgender (Mixed Group)	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Anti-Other Christian	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Anti-Bisexual	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Anti-Eastern Orthodox (Russian, Greek, Other)	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Anti-Hindu	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Anti-Male	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Anti-Other Handicap	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Anti-Sikh	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Grand Total	231	181	112	62	22	5	4	3	3	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	634

Table 4: Crimes by Primary Victim's Race

Criminal Offense	White	Black or African American	Asian	Grand Total
Intimidation	84	66	13	163
Simple Assault	47	37	16	100
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property	53	14	2	69
Aggravated Assault	34	25	6	65
All Other Larceny	28	0	0	28
Theft From Building	4	0	1	5
Robbery	3	1	0	4
Fondling	0	3	0	3
Burglary/Breaking & Entering	1	0	1	2
Arson	1	0	0	1
Extortion/Blackmail	1	0	0	1
False Pretenses/Swindle/Confidence Game	1	0	0	1
Purse-snatching	1	0	0	1
Rape	1	0	0	1
Shoplifting	1	0	0	1
Theft From Motor Vehicle	1	0	0	1
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts/Accessories	0	0	0	0
Grand Total	261	146	39	446

Table 5: Crimes by County of Reporting Agency

Criminal Offense	Barnstable	Berkshire	Bristol	Dukes	Essex	Franklin	Hampden	Hampshire	Middlesex	Norfolk	Plymouth	Suffolk	Worcester	Grand Total
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property	6	6	1	1	17	0	3	8	73	28	9	44	8	204
Intimidation	4	0	3	0	12	0	1	2	36	7	4	100	2	171
Simple Assault	1	1	1	0	9	0	2	0	34	11	6	36	1	102
Aggravated Assault	5	2	0	0	4	1	1	1	21	5	2	16	1	59
All Other Larceny	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	12	0	0	3	1	18
Robbery	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	3	0	4
Theft From Building	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	4
Burglary/Breaking & Entering	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	3
Fondling	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	3
Extortion/Blackmail	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	2
Arson	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
False Pretenses/Swindle/Confidence Game	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Purse-snatching	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Rape	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Shoplifting	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Theft From Motor Vehicle	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts/Accessories	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Weapon Law Violations	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Grand Total	16	9	5	2	47	1	11	12	185	51	21	205	13	578

Table 6: Bias Type by County of Reporting Agency

Bias Type	Barnstable	Berkshire	Bristol	Dukes	Essex	Franklin	Hampden	Hampshire	Middlesex	Norfolk	Plymouth	Suffolk	Worcester	Grand Total
Anti-Black	8	3	3	1	10	0	1	2	49	15	10	44	3	149
Anti-Jewish	3	2	0	1	9	0	0	8	45	13	8	28	2	119
Anti-Male Homosexual (Gay)	1	4	2	0	5	0	3	0	17	6	2	34	5	79
Anti-Hispanic	0	1	0	0	4	0	0	1	12	5	1	12	0	36
Anti-Transgender	0	0	1	0	0	0	3	0	10	2	0	17	3	36
Anti-Asian	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	11	1	0	15	0	28
Anti-Female Homosexual (Lesbian)	0	0	0	0	2	1	4	1	5	0	0	9	2	24
Anti-Other Race	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	1	17	0	23
Anti-Arab	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	4	6	0	7	0	20
Anti-White	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	3	1	10	0	18
Anti-Other Sexual Orientation	4	0	0	0	2	0	1	1	8	1	0	0	0	17
Anti-Mental Handicap	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	10	0	0	1	0	12
Anti-Other Race/Ethnicity/Ancestry (FBI)	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	12
Anti-Catholic	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	5	0	10
Anti-Other Religion	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	0	8
Anti-Gender Non-Conforming	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	4	1	6
Anti-Physical Handicap	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	4	0	6
Anti-Female	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	2	0	5
Anti-Islamic (Muslim)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	3	0	5
Anti-Atheism/Agnosticism	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Anti-Buddhist	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	3
Anti-Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, or Transgender (Mixed Group)	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	3
Anti-Other Christian	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	3
Anti-Bisexual	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
Anti-Eastern Orthodox (Russian, Greek, Other)	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2
Anti-Hindu	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2
Anti-Male	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Anti-Other Handicap	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Anti-Sikh	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Grand Total	17	12	6	2	50	1	13	13	198	54	23	228	17	634

Table 7: Crimes by Offender's Race (When Known)

Criminal Offense	White	Black or African American	Asian	American Indian or Alaska Native	Grand Total
Intimidation	82	25	4	1	112
Simple Assault	72	21	1	0	94
Aggravated Assault	37	27	1	0	65
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property	46	4	3	0	53
Robbery	4	7	0	0	11
All Other Larceny	9	1	0	0	10
Theft From Building	3	1	0	0	4
Extortion/Blackmail	3	0	0	0	3
Fondling	1	0	0	0	1
Arson	1	0	0	0	1
Purse-snatching	1	0	0	0	1
Shoplifting	1	0	0	0	1
Grand Total	260	86	9	1	356

Table 8: Age of Known Victims		
Age Group	Total	% of Known
10 and Under	3	0.6%
11-15	27	5.3%
16-20	29	5.7%
21-25	73	14.2%
26-30	49	9.6%
31-35	72	14.0%
36-40	47	9.2%
41-45	36	7.0%
46-50	33	6.4%
51-55	38	7.4%
56-60	45	8.8%
61-65	32	6.2%
66+	29	5.7%
Total Known	513	100.0%

Table 9: Age of Known Offenders		
Age Group	Total	% of Known
10 and Under	1	0.3%
11-15	56	15.2%
16-20	32	8.7%
21-25	42	11.4%
26-30	43	11.7%
31-35	43	11.7%
36-40	31	8.4%
41-45	23	6.3%
46-50	17	4.6%
51-55	26	7.1%
56-60	21	5.7%
61-65	14	3.8%
66+	19	5.2%
Total Known	368	100.0%

Table 10: Target of Bias Crimes		
Target	Total	% of Total
Individual	527	77.7%
Business	61	9.0%
Government	44	6.5%
Other	27	4.0%
Religious Organization	18	2.7%
Law Enforcement Officer	1	0.1%
Grand Total	678	100.0%

Table 11. Location of Bias Incidents	
Location Type	Total
Residence/Home	142
Highway/Road/Alley/Street/Sidewalk	106
Commercial/Office Building	37
Other/Unknown	36
School – Elementary/Secondary	36
Church/Synagogue/Temple/Mosque	35
School – College/University	33
Government/Public Building	29
Park/Playground	24
Restaurant	23
Parking/Drop Lot/Garage	8
School/College(Historical Only)	8
Drug Store/Doctor’s Office/Hospital	7
Field/Woods	6
Convenience Store	5
Department/Discount Store	5
Hotel/Motel/Etc.	5
Bar/Nightclub	4
Shelter – Mission/Homeless	4
Shopping Mall	4
Specialty Store	4
Community Center	3
Cyberspace	3
Service/Gas Station	3
Grocery/Supermarket	2
Air/Bus/Train Terminal	1
Arena/Stadium/Fairgrounds/Coliseum	1
Bank/Savings and Loan	1
Construction Site	1
Liquor Store	1
Rental Storage Facility	1
Grand Total	578

Table 12: Weapons Used During Hate Crime Incidents		
Weapon Type	Total	% of Total Reported
Personal Weapons (Hands, Feet, Teeth, Etc.)	68	48.2%
Other	42	29.8%
Blunt Object (Club, Hammer, Etc.)	15	10.6%
Knife/Cutting Instrument (Icepick, Ax, Etc.)	13	9.2%
Handgun	2	1.4%
Explosives	1	0.7%
Grand Total	141	100.0%

Table 13: Race of Victims

Race	Total	% of Total
White	252	58.3%
Black or African American	141	32.6%
Asian	39	9.0%
Total Known	432	100.0%

Table 14: Sex of Victims

Sex	Total	% of Total
Male	289	57.5%
Female	214	42.5%
Total Known	503	100.0%

Table 15: Race of Offenders

Race	Total	% of Total
White	260	73.0%
Black or African American	86	24.2%
Asian	9	2.5%
American Indian or Alaska Native	1	0.3%
Total Known	356	100.0%

Table 16: Sex of Offenders

Sex	Total	% of Total
Male	285	75.2%
Female	94	24.8%
Total Known	379	100.0%

Table 17: Reported Injuries During Hate Crimes	
Injury Type	Total
Apparent Minor Injury	62
Other Major Injury	6
Possible Internal Injury	3
Severe Laceration	3
Loss of Teeth	2
Total Reported	76

Agency	Total
Boston	192
Cambridge	55
Newton	20
Somerville	16
Medford	14
Arlington	12
Brookline	12
Haverhill	9
Everett	8
Framingham	8
Bedford	7
Danvers	7
Franklin	7
Barnstable	6
Brandeis University	6
Hingham	6
Lynn	6
Plymouth	6
Quincy	6
Revere	6
Salem	6
Granby	4
Malden	4
Randolph	4
Springfield	4
U-Mass Amherst	4
Westfield	4
Williamstown	4
Amesbury	3
Belmont	3
Bolton	3
Brockton	3
Chelmsford	3

Agency	Total
Fall River	3
Harvard University	3
Mashpee	3
Natick	3
Waltham	3
Beverly	2
Boston University	2
Braintree	2
Cohasset	2
Falmouth	2
Grafton	2
Holbrook	2
Lowell	# 2 #
Marlborough	2
Medway	2
Northeastern University	2
Provincetown	2
Stoneham	2
Taunton	2
Wellesley	2
Wellesley College	2
Worcester Polytech	2
Abington	1
Acton	1
Agawam	1
Andover	1
Col of the Holy Cross	1
Concord	1
Dalton	1
Dean College	1
Dedham	1
Environmental Police	1
Framingham State Univ	1

Agency	Total
Georgetown	1
Great Barrington	1
Hanover	1
Hardwick	1
Kingston	1
Leverett	1
MA Coll of Liberal Arts	1
Manchester-by-the-sea	1
Marblehead	1
Mattapoisett	1
Medfield	1
Middleborough	1
Middleton	1
Mount Wachusett CC	1
Mt. Holyoke College	1
Nahant	1
Needham	1
Newburyport	1
North Adams	1
North Andover	1
Norwood	1
Oak Bluffs	1
Pembroke	1
Pittsfield	1
Rowley	1

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* Data reflects counts of incidents

Table 19: Zero-Reporting Agencies
Agency
Acushnet
Adams
Amherst
Amherst College
Aquinnah
Ashburnham
Ashby
Ashfield
Ashland
Assumption College
Athol
Attleboro
Auburn
Avon
Ayer
Babson College
Barnstable State Police
Barre
Becket
Belchertown
Bellingham
Bentley College
Berkley
Berkshire State Police
Berlin
Bernardston
Billerica
Blackstone
Boston College
Bourne
Boxborough
Boxford
Boylston
Brewster

Table 19: Zero-Reporting Agencies
Agency
Bridgewater
Bridgewater State University
Brimfield
Bristol Comm College
Bristol State Police
Brookfield
Buckland
Bunker Hill Community College
Burlington
Canton
Cape Cod Community College
Carlisle
Carver
Charlton
Chatham
Chelsea
Cheshire
Chicopee
Chilmark
Clark University
Clarksburg
Clinton
Curry College
Dartmouth
Deerfield
Dennis
Dighton
Douglas
Dover
Dracut
Dudley
Dukes State Police
Dunstable
Duxbury

Table 19: Zero-Reporting Agencies
Agency
East Bridgewater
East Brookfield
East Longmeadow
Eastham
Easthampton
Easton
Edgartown
Egremont
Emerson College
Endicott College
Erving
Essex
Essex State Police
Fairhaven
Fisher College
Fitchburg
Fitchburg SC
Foxborough
Franklin State Police
Freetown
Gardner
Gill
Gloucester
Gordon College
Goshen
Granville
Greenfield
Greenfield CC
Groton
Groveland
Hadley
Halifax
Hamilton
Hampden

Table 19: Zero-Reporting Agencies
Agency
Hampden State Police
Hampshire State Police
Hanson
Harvard
Harwich
Hatfield
Holden
Holland
Holliston
Holyoke
Holyoke Community College
Hopedale
Hopkinton
Hudson
Hull
Ipswich
Lakeville
Lancaster
Lanesboro
Lasell College
Lawrence
Lee
Leicester
Lenox
Leominster
Lexington
Lincoln
Littleton
Longmeadow
Ludlow
Lunenburg
Lynnfield
Mansfield
Marion

Table 19: Zero-Reporting Agencies
Agency
Marshfield
Mass Bay Community College
Mass College of Art
Massasoit Community College
Maynard
MCPHS University
Melrose
Mendon
Merrimac
Merrimack College
Methuen
Middlesex State Police
Milford
Millbury
Millis
Millville
Milton
MIT
Monson
Montague
Monterey
Nantucket
Nantucket State Police
New Bedford
New Braintree
New Marlboro
Newbury
Norfolk
Norfolk State Police
North Attleborough
North Reading
North Shore CC
Northampton
Northborough

Table 19: Zero-Reporting Agencies
Agency
Northbridge
Northfield
Norton
Norwell
Oakham
Orange
Orleans
Otis
Oxford
Palmer
Paxton
Peabody
Pelham
Pepperell
Plainville
Plymouth State Police
Plympton
Princeton
Quinsigamond CC
Raynham
Reading
Rehoboth
Rochester
Rockland
Rockport
Royalston
Rutland
Salem State University
Salisbury
Sandwich
Saugus
Scituate
Seekonk
Sharon

Table 19: Zero-Reporting Agencies
Agency
Shelburne
Sherborn
Shirley
Shrewsbury
Shutesbury
Simmons University
Smith College
Somerset
Southampton
Southborough
Southbridge
Southwick
Spencer
Springfield College
Springfield Technical Community College
Sterling
Stockbridge
Stonehill College
Stoughton
Stow
Sturbridge
Sudbury
Suffolk State Police
Sunderland
Sutton
Swansea
Templeton
Tewksbury
Tolland
Topsfield
Townsend
Truro
Tufts University Medford
Tufts University Suffolk

Table 19: Zero-Reporting Agencies
Agency
Tufts University Worcester
Tyngsborough
U-Mass Boston
U-Mass Dartmouth
U-Mass Lowell
Upton
Wakefield
Wales
Ware
Wareham
Warren
Webster
Wenham
Wentworth Institute of Technology
West Boylston
West Bridgewater
West Brookfield
West Newbury
West Springfield
West Tisbury
Western New England Coll
Westfield State College
Westford
Westminster
Weston
Westport
Weymouth
Whately
Wheaton College
Whitman
Wilbraham
Williamsburg
Wilmington
Winchendon

Table 19: Zero-Reporting Agencies

Agency
Winchester
Winthrop
Woburn
Worcester
Worcester State
Worcester State Police
Worthington
Northern Essex Community College

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Table 20: Non-Reporting Agencies

Agency
Alford
Beth Israel Deaconess Med Ctr
Blandford
Charlemont
Chester
Chesterfield
Cummington
Florida
Gosnold
Hampshire College
Hancock
Hawley
Heath
Hinsdale
Hubbardston
Huntington
Leyden
Mass General Hospital
MBTA
Middlefield
Montgomery
New Ashford
New Salem
North Brookfield
Peru
Petersham
Phillipston
Plainfield
Rowe
Roxbury Community College
Russell
Savoy
Sheffield

Table 20: Non-Reporting Agencies

Agency
Suffolk University
Tyringham
Warwick
Washington
Wendell
West Stockbridge
Westhampton
Windsor