

**Chapter
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HATE CRIME

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DEFINITION

The Texas Hate Crimes Act, Chapter 411.046 of the Texas Government Code, defines hate crimes as crimes that are motivated by prejudice, hatred, or advocacy of violence including, but not limited to, incidents for which statistics are or were kept under Public Law 101275 (the Federal Hate Crimes Statistics Act). The federal law further defines Hate Crime as crimes that manifest evidence of prejudice based on race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, religion, disability, gender and gender identity.

2014 marks significant changes to Hate Crime. New bias motivations, locations and other pertinent data have been added or refined to allow for a more detailed classification of Hate Crime offenses.

ANALYSIS

Volume

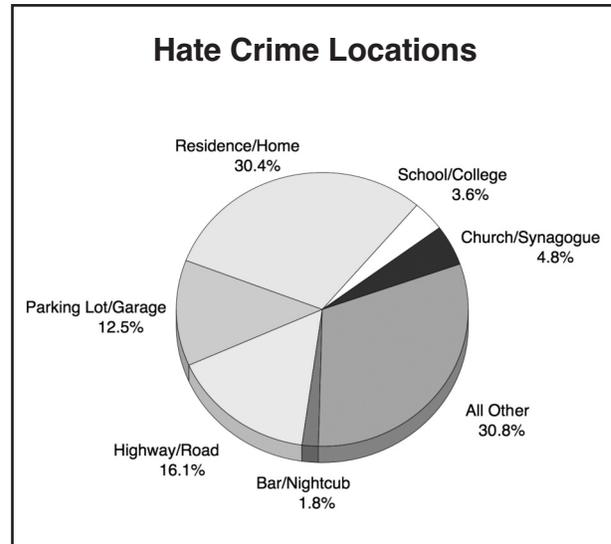
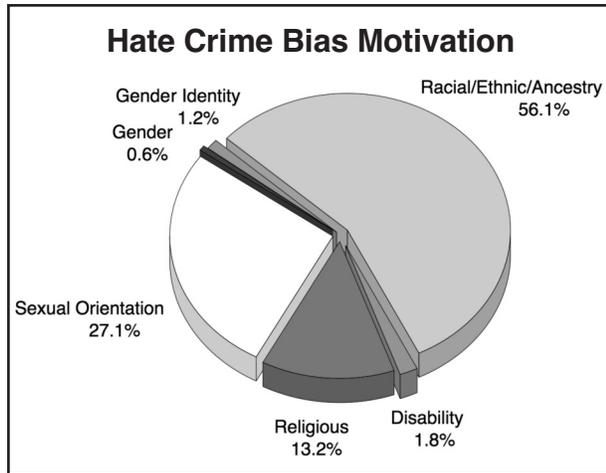
The total number of reported Texas hate crime incidents in 2014 was 166. This represents an increase of 23 percent when compared to 2013. These incidents involved 190 victims, 198 offenders, and resulted in a total of 167 offenses.

Hate Crime	2014	2013	% Change
Reported Incidents	166	135	+22.9
Reported Victims	190	176	+8.0
Reported Offenders	198	175	+13.1
Reported Offenses	167	136	+22.8

Bias Motivation

In 2014, the largest percentage of hate crime reports in Texas were race/ethnic/ancestry in nature. The second most commonly reported bias motivation was sexual orientation. The third most common bias was religious. The fourth most common bias was disability.

Hate Crime Bias Motivation			
Bias Nature	Group %	Bias Type	Total %
Race/ Ethnicity Ancestry	56.1	Anti-White	20
		Anti-Black	49
		Anti-Am. Indian/Alaskan Native	2
		Anti-Asian	2
		Anti-Multi Racial (Group)	2
		Anti-Hawaiian/Pac. Islander	0
		Anti-Arab	1
		Anti-Hispanic/Latino	15
		Anti-Other Race/Eth/Ancestry	2
Sexual Orienta- tion	27.1	Anti-Male Homosexual	26
		Anti-Female Homosexual	8
		Anti-LGBT (Mixed Group)	10
		Anti-Heterosexual	0
		Anti-Bisexual	1
Religious	13.2	Anti-Jewish	3
		Anti-Catholic	3
		Anti-Protestant	3
		Anti-Islamic (Muslim)	7
		Anti-Other Religion	5
		Anti-MultiReligion (Group)	1
		Anti-Atheism/Agnostic/etc	0
		Anti-Mormon	0
		Anti-Jehovah's Witness	0
		Anti-Eastern Orthodox	0
		Anti-Other Christian	0
		Anti-Buddist	0
		Anti-Hindu	0
Anti-Sikh	0		
Disability	1.8	Anti-Physical	2
		Anti-Mental	1
Gender	0.6	Anti-Male	0
		Anti-Female	1
Gender Identity	1.2	Anti-Transgender	2
		Anti-Gender Non-Conforming	0



Location

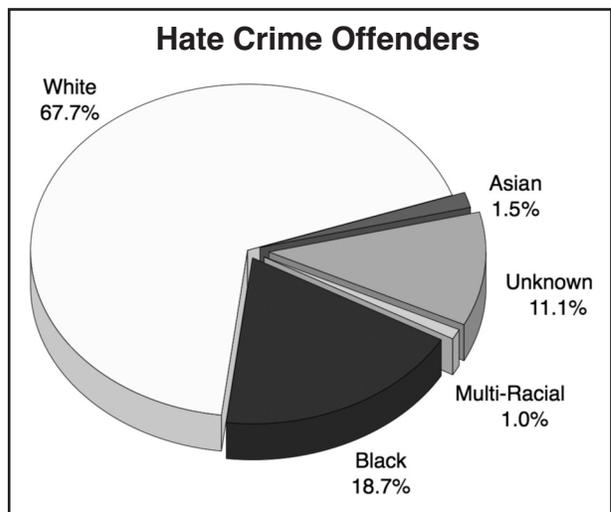
In 2014, hate crimes occurred most frequently in residences and homes. The second most common locations were highways, roads, streets and alleys, followed by parking lots and garages.

Offenders

In 2014, 198 offenders were involved in incidents of hate crimes. Hate crime incidents can be perpetrated by multiple offenders of the same race. The following chart displays the suspected offenders' race totaling 198.

Hate Crime Locations		
Location	Volume	%
Air/Bus/Train Terminal	1	0.6
Bar/Nightclub	3	1.8
Church/Synagogue/Temple	8	4.8
Commercial/Office Building	7	4.2
Convenience Store	3	1.8
Department/Discount Store	2	1.2
Drug Store/Doctor's Office/Hospital	1	0.6
Field/Woods	1	0.6
Government/Public Building	2	1.2
Grocery/Supermarket	1	0.6
Highway/Road/Street/Alley	27	16.1
Hotel/Motel	3	1.8
Jail/Prison	3	1.8
Lake/Waterway	1	0.6
Parking Lot/Garage	21	12.5
Residence/Home	51	30.4
Restaurant	3	1.8
Service/Gas Station	1	0.6
Specialty Store (TV, Fur etc.)	2	1.2
Other/Unknown	7	4.2
Abandoned/ Condemned Structure	1	0.6
Amusement Park	1	0.6
Daycare Facility	1	0.6
Park/ Playground	5	3.0
School-College/ University	6	3.6
School-Elementary/ Secondary	5	3.0
Shelter-Mission/ Homeless	1	0.6

Hate Crime Offenders by Racial Group		
Race	Volume	%
White	134	67.7
Black	37	18.7
American Indian/Alaskan Native	0	0.0
Asian	3	1.5
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	0	0.0
MultiRacial Group	2	1.0
Unknown	22	11.1

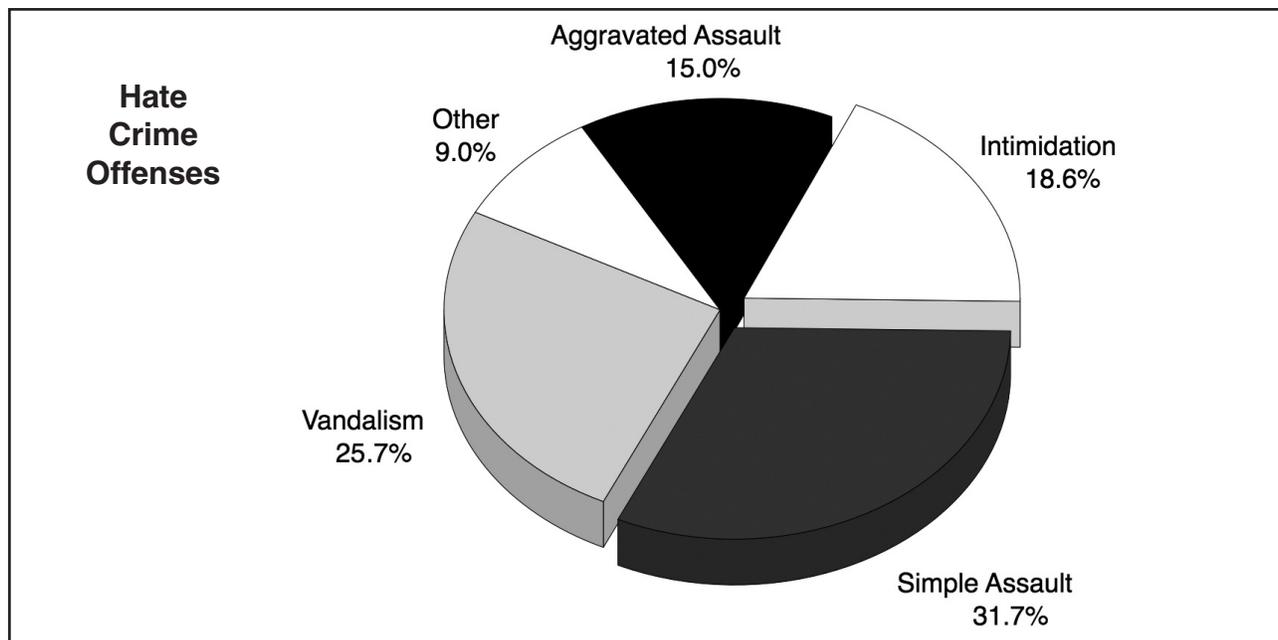


Victims

Information on the victims of hate crimes is limited to victim type. While bias motivation information identifies the offender’s bias, it is important to note that the victim may not actually belong to the group the offender sought to harm. For this reason, information on the victims’ actual group membership is not recorded.

Victim type, in the hate crime data collection program, is listed as: individual, business, financial institution, government, religious organization, society/public, other and unknown. Of these victim types, individuals were reported to be the main hate crime target.

Hate Crime Victim Type		
Victim Type	Volume	%
Individual	160	84.2
Business	16	8.4
Financial Institution	0	0.0
Government	6	3.2
Religious Organization	6	3.2
Other	2	1.0
Unknown	0	0.0



Offenses

Offense information in the hate crime data collection program are defined in accordance with federal Uniform Crime Reporting definitions and do not necessarily conform to Texas state definitions. Complete offense definitions are available in the appendix to this publication.

Hate crime offense information fall into the eight index crime categories – murder, rape, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, larceny-theft, motor vehicle theft, and arson – plus the non-index crimes of simple assault, intimidation and vandalism. Of these offense categories, aggravated assault, simple assault, intimidation and vandalism together accounted for 91 percent of all bias crime offenses.

Hate Crime Offenses		
Offenses	Volume	%
Murder	0	0.0
Rape	2	1.2
Robbery	6	3.6
Aggravated Assault	25	15.0
Burglary	1	0.6
LarcenyTheft	6	3.6
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	0.0
Arson	0	0.0
Simple Assault	53	31.7
Intimidation	31	18.6
Vandalism	43	25.7

2014 TEXAS HATE CRIME BY JURISDICTION

BELL COUNTY	
Killeen PD	1
BEXAR COUNTY	
San Antonio PD	13
BRAZORIA COUNTY	
Pearland PD	7
BRAZOS COUNTY	
College Station PD	1
BREWSTER COUNTY	
Sul Ross State Univ PD	1
BROWN COUNTY	
Brownwood PD	1
CAMERON COUNTY	
Harlingen PD	1
CAMERON COUNTY	
So Padre Island PD	1
COLLIN COUNTY	
McKinney PD	11
COMAL COUNTY	
New Braunfels PD	2
DALLAS COUNTY	
Garland PD	1
Dallas PD	15
DALLAS COUNTY	
Lancaster PD	1
Richardson PD	2
DICKENS COUNTY	
Spur PD	2
DUVAL COUNTY	
Freer PD	1
ECTOR COUNTY	
Odessa PD	4

EL PASO COUNTY	
El Paso PD	1
ERATH COUNTY	
Tarleton State Univ PD	1
FORT BEND COUNTY	
Sugar Land PD	1
GALVESTON COUNTY	
Galveston PD	2
League City PD	1
GRAYSON COUNTY	
Denison PD	4
Sherman PD	1
GREGG COUNTY	
Kilgore PD	1
GREGG COUNTY	
Longview PD	8
HARRIS COUNTY	
Harris CO SO	1
Houston PD	16
Baytown PD	1
Tomball PD	3
HAYS COUNTY	
Texas State Univ PD	1
HIDALGO COUNTY	
Mercedes PD	1
JEFFERSON COUNTY	
Beaumont PD	4
KAUFMAN COUNTY	
Kaufman CO SO	2
LAMAR COUNTY	
Paris Jr College	2
LAMPASAS COUNTY	
Lampasas PD	2

LUBBOCK COUNTY	
Lubbock PD	1
MONTGOMERY COUNTY	
Conroe PD	1
NUECES COUNTY	
Corpus Christi PD	6
TXA&M Uni Corp Christi PD	1
ROCKWALL COUNTY	
Rockwall PD	1
SHELBY COUNTY	
Center PD	1
TARRANT COUNTY	
Bedford PD	1
Fort Worth PD	12
Keller PD	1
Texas Christian Univ PD	2
TRAVIS COUNTY	
Travis CO SO	1
Austin PD	4
Pflugerville ISD PD	1
UPSHUR COUNTY	
Gilmer PD	2
VICTORIA COUNTY	
Victoria PD	2
WALLER COUNTY	
Hempstead PD	2
WICHITA COUNTY	
Iowa Park PD	1
Wichita Falls PD	2
WILBARGER COUNTY	
Vernon PD	1
WILLIAMSON COUNTY	
Williamson CO SO	2
Georgetown PD	2
Cedar Park PD	1

Jurisdictions not represented either reported zero incidents of Hate Crime or did not report at all.