



# WASHINGTON Hate Crimes Incidents in 2021

249 of 274 law enforcement agencies (91%) provided hate crime data.

## What is a Hate Crime?

**Hate Crimes:** At the federal level, a crime motivated by bias against race, color, religion, national origin, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, or disability.

**Bias or Hate Incident:** Acts of prejudice that are not crimes and do not involve violence, threats, or property damage.

For additional information on hate crimes resources visit <https://www.justice.gov/hatecrimes>.

## How do I report a hate crime?

If you believe you are the victim of a hate crime or believe you witnessed a hate crime:

For emergencies **Dial 911**

**OR**

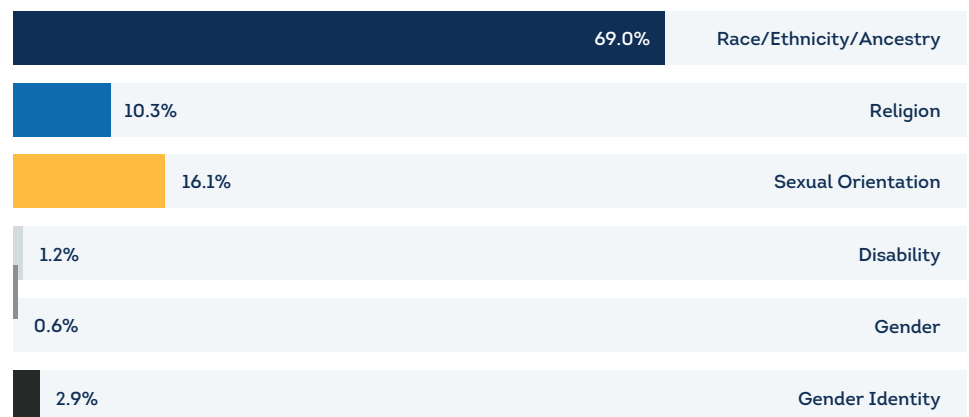
**Step 1:** Report the crime to your local police.

**Step 2:** Quickly follow up this report with a tip to the Federal Bureau of Investigation's (FBI) tip line at 1-800-225-5324.

## Types of Crime

Crimes against Persons	502	71.9%
Crimes against Property	189	27.1%
Crimes against Society	7	1.0%

## Bias Motivation Categories



Bias Motivation Categories	2019	2020	2021
Race/Ethnicity/Ancestry	331	309	449
Religion	76	52	67
Sexual Orientation	116	67	105
Disability	8	5	7
Gender	8	6	4
Gender Identity	17	23	19

For additional statistics, visit the FBI Crime Data Explorer at <https://cde.ucr.cjis.gov/LATEST/webapp/#/pages/explorer/crime/hate-crime>.

2021 was the first year crime statistics were reported entirely through the National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS). As a result of the shift, law enforcement agency participation fell significantly from 2020 to 2021. This may limit the reliability of hate crime statistics in states with low participation.