

Massachusetts Hate Crimes, 2009



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Executive Summary

The 2009 Hate Crime report for Massachusetts was compiled using data voluntarily supplied from police departments across the Commonwealth. The Commonwealth Fusion Center's Crime Reporting Unit received a total of 314 reports of incidents of hate crime (down from 332 in 2008, a decrease of 5.4%) from 67 municipal police departments and 8 campus police agencies. An additional 239 municipal police departments, 30 campus police agencies, 22 state police locations, seven transit police locations, and two specialized agencies reported zero hate crimes during 2009. The 314 incidents encompassed 522 criminal charges (up from 516 in 2008, an increase of 1.16%).

A "hate crime" is defined as a criminal act in which bias against race, religion, ethnicity, handicap, gender, or sexual orientation is recognized as a contributing factor. Accordingly, hate crime reporting does not capture incidents of bias that do not amount to crimes. Similarly, if a crime is motivated by bias, but the bias indicator is not reported by the victim or noted by the investigating police department, it will not be reported.

In 2009 prejudice against race/ethnicity or national origin was the most widely reported bias motivation, representing 56.42% of the total. Bias against sexual orientation is second, with 24.48% of the total, and religious bias is third with 17.01% of the total. (Please refer to Table 2 in the Appendix).

After rising two years in a row as both the victim and offender in hate crimes, females were victims slightly less often – from 37.4% of victims in 2008 to 36.54% in 2009 – and were offenders less frequently as well – from 21.1% in 2008 to 18.15% in 2009. (For a breakdown of victim and offender gender, please refer to Tables 15 and 17.) Echoing previous years, males were still the most frequent victims (63.46% in 2009) and offenders (81.85%). Whites were also the most frequent racial category as victims (59.46%) and also as offenders (68.49%). Black victims of both genders composed 29.73% of total victims. (For a breakdown of bias types by primary victim's race, see Table 4.)

Victims were reported to have some type of injury in 20.76% of cases. Police officers investigating these incidents reported there were no visible injuries to the victim in 79.24% of the cases. (Please refer to Table 18 for a breakdown by injuries.)

Bias incidents reported by police in Massachusetts occur in a variety of locations, both public and private. In 2009, 34.19% of incidents occurred in a residence, while 23% occurred on a highway or street. The third most frequent location was schools and colleges at 10.54%, while 5.43% of incidents occurred at unknown locations. (See Table 12 for a breakdown of locations.)

Hate crimes in 2009 focused on specific victims rather than religious, ethnic or government symbols. Individuals were primarily the targets for bias crimes (79.74% of the reports), and for the second year in a row "Other Targets" (for example, businesses or government facilities) were second with 9.8% of the reports (before 2008 private property was second). In 2009, private property was the third most frequent target, in 6.21% of the reports. Police cited religious facilities as the fourth most frequently targeted, in 3.27% of the incidents. (Please refer to Table 11.)

Specific types of bias motivations were reported to police departments as well. The largest category of bias incidents were determined to be anti-black, with 32.24% of all incidents, or 108 of the incidents reported. Another 20%, or 67 incidents, were classified as anti-gay. Anti-Semitic and anti-white cases ranked third and fourth, at 13.43% and 12.24% respectively, in frequency of occurrence. Discrimination against the Islamic religion or persons from Arab countries was reported in 3.58% of cases, an increase of 0.38% from 2008. (See Table 6.)

Bias crimes entail a variety of different criminal offenses ranging from violent crimes to vandalism and harassment. Of the 522 criminal offenses reported in 2009, the significant portion involved vandalism and property damage (21.45%), with harassment (20.31%) and threats (15.9%) following close behind. There were 30 aggravated assaults reported, a decrease of 14.29% from the 35 aggravated assaults reported in 2008. (Please refer to Table 1 for breakdown of criminal offenses).

The reporting system also captures information on the types of weapons used in the commission of the offense. Firearms were used in only 3 cases, accounting for less than 2% (1.53%) of the incidents. Use of knives increased from the 5 cases in 2008 (1.8%) to 8 cases in 2009 (4.08%). Whereas no use of weapons was reported in 59.6% of reports in 2008, no use of weapons was reported in only 44.39% of the 196 reports in which this information was provided in 2009, a decrease of 15.21%. In 56 incidents, hands, fists or feet were used (28.57%). (See Table 13 for breakdown by weapon.)

It should be noted that the reporting form used to collect hate crime data was changed to reflect the data collection system used by the majority of Massachusetts police agencies. As a result, a comparison between the tables in this report will be different than those in previous years (this will affect tables dealing with the ‘target’ of the hate crime).

Hate Crimes in the period 2005-2009

Over the past five years, while the number of reported bias crimes has fluctuated, the overall distribution of both bias motivations and offenses has remained fairly consistent.

The most frequent bias motivations over the period from 2005 – 2009 were anti-Black (31.7%), anti-gay (19.0%), anti-Semitic (14.8%), and anti-White (12.3%). These four categories accounted for approximately 78% of all bias motivations.

The most frequent crimes committed during a Hate Crime were harassment (18.8%), general civil rights violations (14.5%), threats (13.5%), vandalism (13.4%), damage to property (13.3%) and simple assault (10.8%). These six categories accounted for approximately 84% of all bias-motivated crimes.

Definitions

Hate Crime

Any criminal act to which a bias motive is evident as a contributing factor. The Reporting Act covers bias on account of race, religion, ethnicity, handicap, gender, or sexual orientation. Hate crimes can be reported only by law enforcement agencies.

Zero Report

An official report by a police department stating that 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 reporting provisions of the Reporting Act. These agencies have failed to indicate how many, if any, bias crimes occurred in their jurisdiction.

Reporting agencies

Local police departments and other law enforcement agencies which 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. Participating agencies which reported zero hate crimes for 2009 are separately listed.

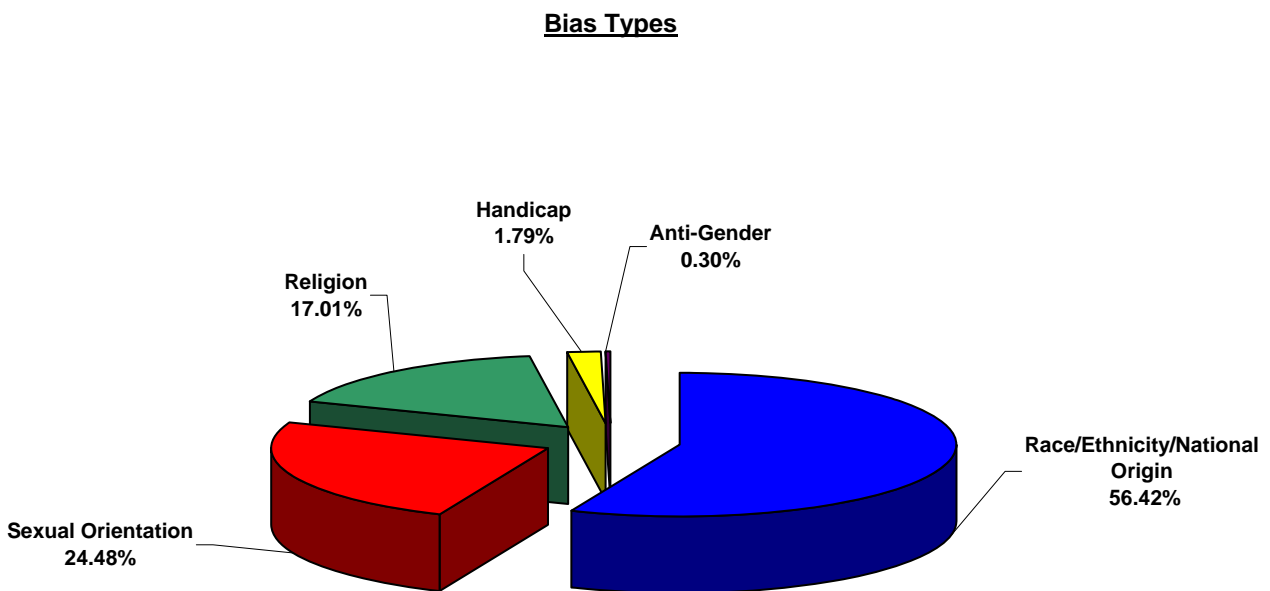
Reports by Law Enforcement Agencies

Hate crimes were reported by 67 local police departments and 8 campus police agencies. The local police departments reporting represented a total population of 2,909,757. A total of 314 hate crime reports were filed by these agencies, which included 522 criminal offenses and 335 reported bias motivations (down 7.7% from 363 in 2007). An additional 239 municipal police departments, 30 campus police agencies, 22 state police locations, seven transit police locations, and two specialized agencies submitted Zero Reports for 2009. These municipalities represented a total population of 3,358,836. Fifty-seven municipal police agencies and twelve campus police departments did not participate in the hate crime reporting program. These 49 cities and towns had a total population of 113,225.

It should be noted in the statistics that follow 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.

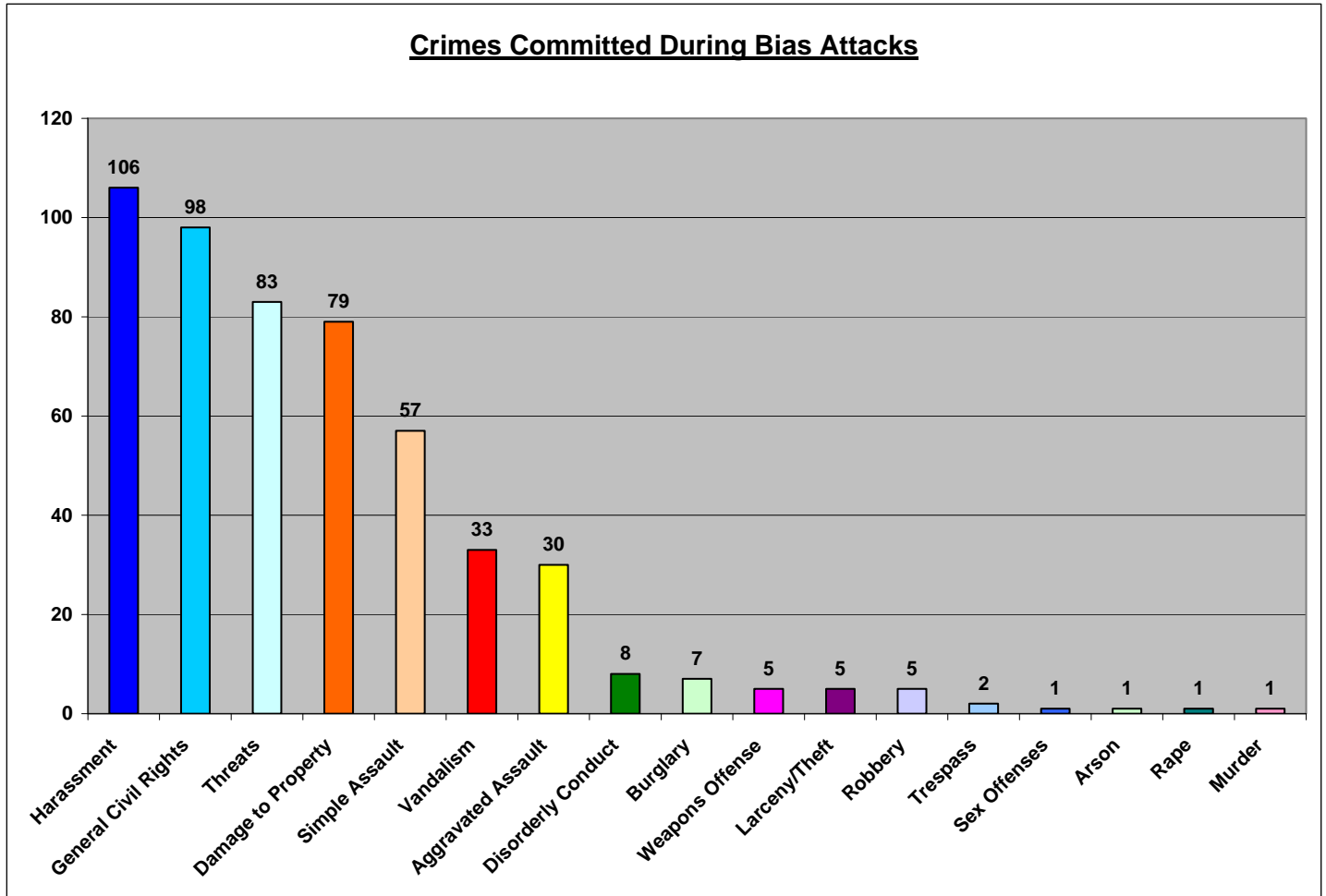
Categories of Bias Reported

Bias motivations break down as follows: of the 335 bias motivations for particular incidents reported, race/ethnicity/national origin bias constituted the largest category, with 56.42% of the total (down from 57.7% in 2008). Offenses motivated by sexual orientation bias were the second most frequent category, with 24.48% of the total (up from 22.1% in 2008). Offenses related to religious affiliation were the third most prevalent, with 17.01%, while offenses against mental or physical handicap status were reported as 1.79% of the total (more than triple the 2007 rate of 0.5%), and anti-gender was the least-reported bias with 0.30% of the total.



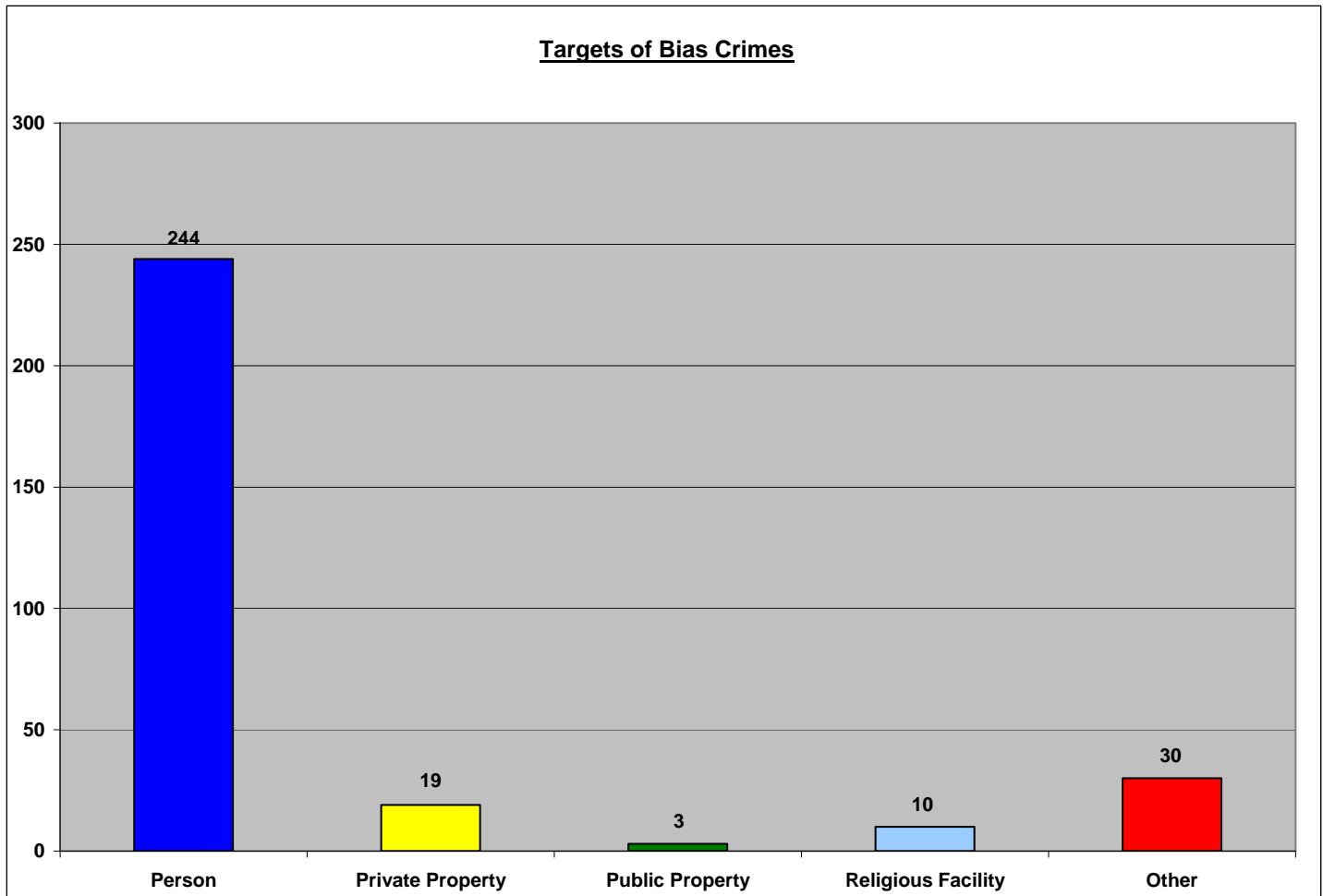
Categories of Crimes Reported

Of the total of 522 crimes reported, harassment was the most frequent offense reported, representing 20.3% of the total. General Civil Rights incidents were the second most frequently cited offense (18.8%).



Victim and Offender Profile

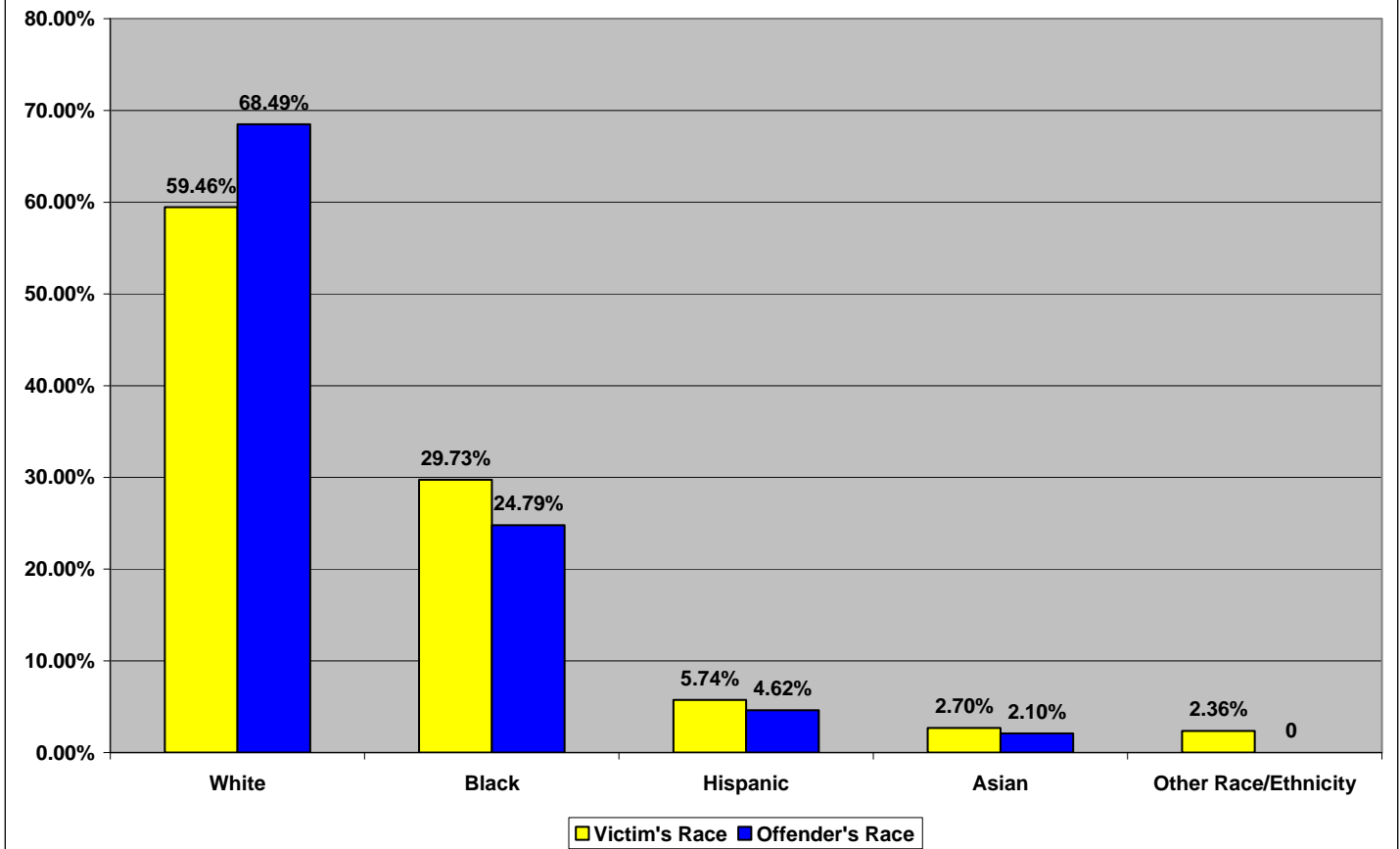
Of the cases with valid information, a person was the target in 79.74% of cases. For the second year in a row, “Other” was the second most frequent target of bias crimes with 9.8% of incidents. Private property was the third most frequently targeted (6.21%), and fourth was religious facility (3.27%). Public property was the fifth most frequently targeted at .98%.



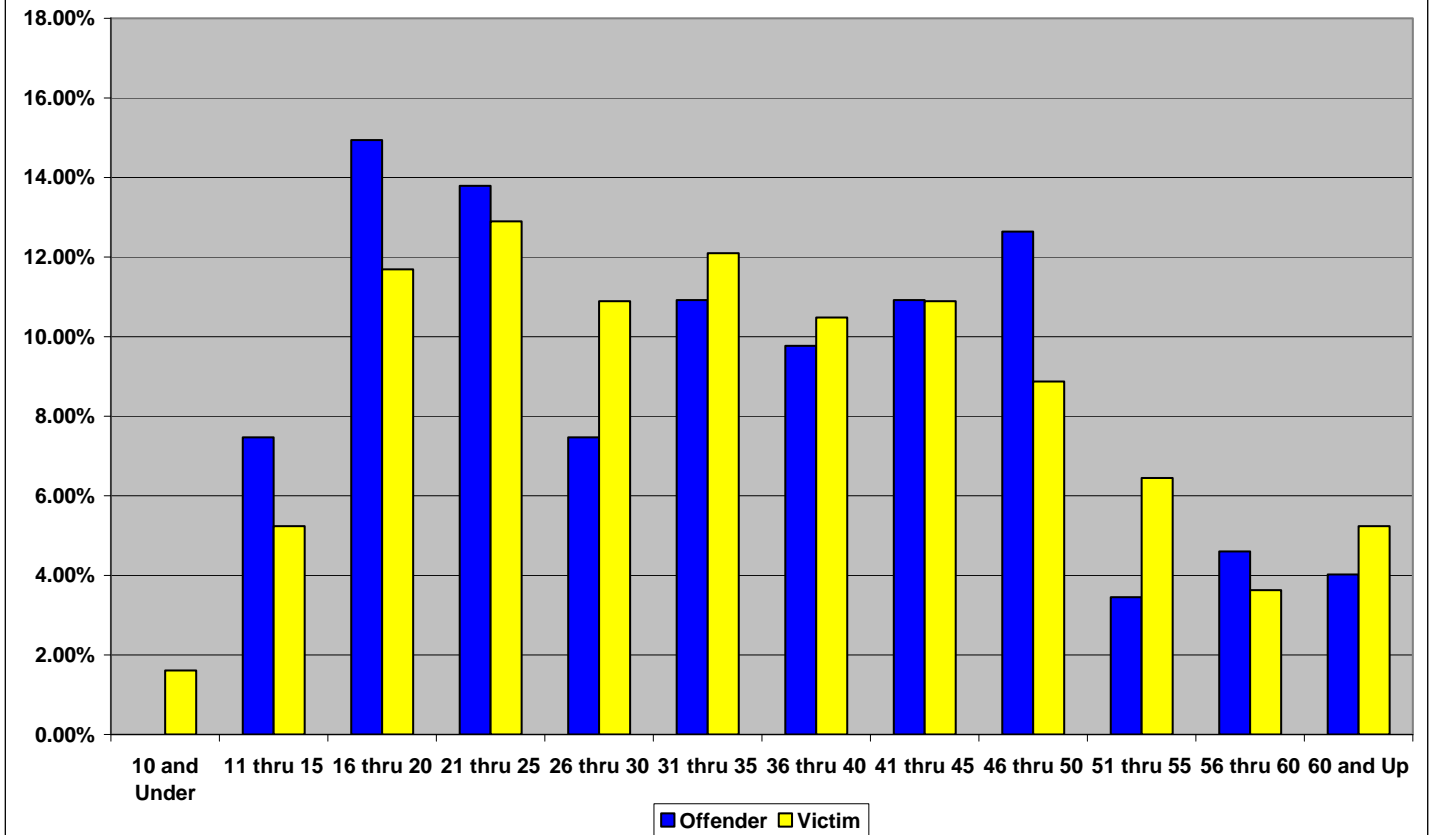
The victim(s) of hate crimes (in incidents where the victim's race was reported) were white in 59.46% of cases, black in 29.73% of cases. The victims were male in 63.46% of cases. Of the cases where the victim(s)'s age group was available, the most frequently reported age group was 21-25 years of age.

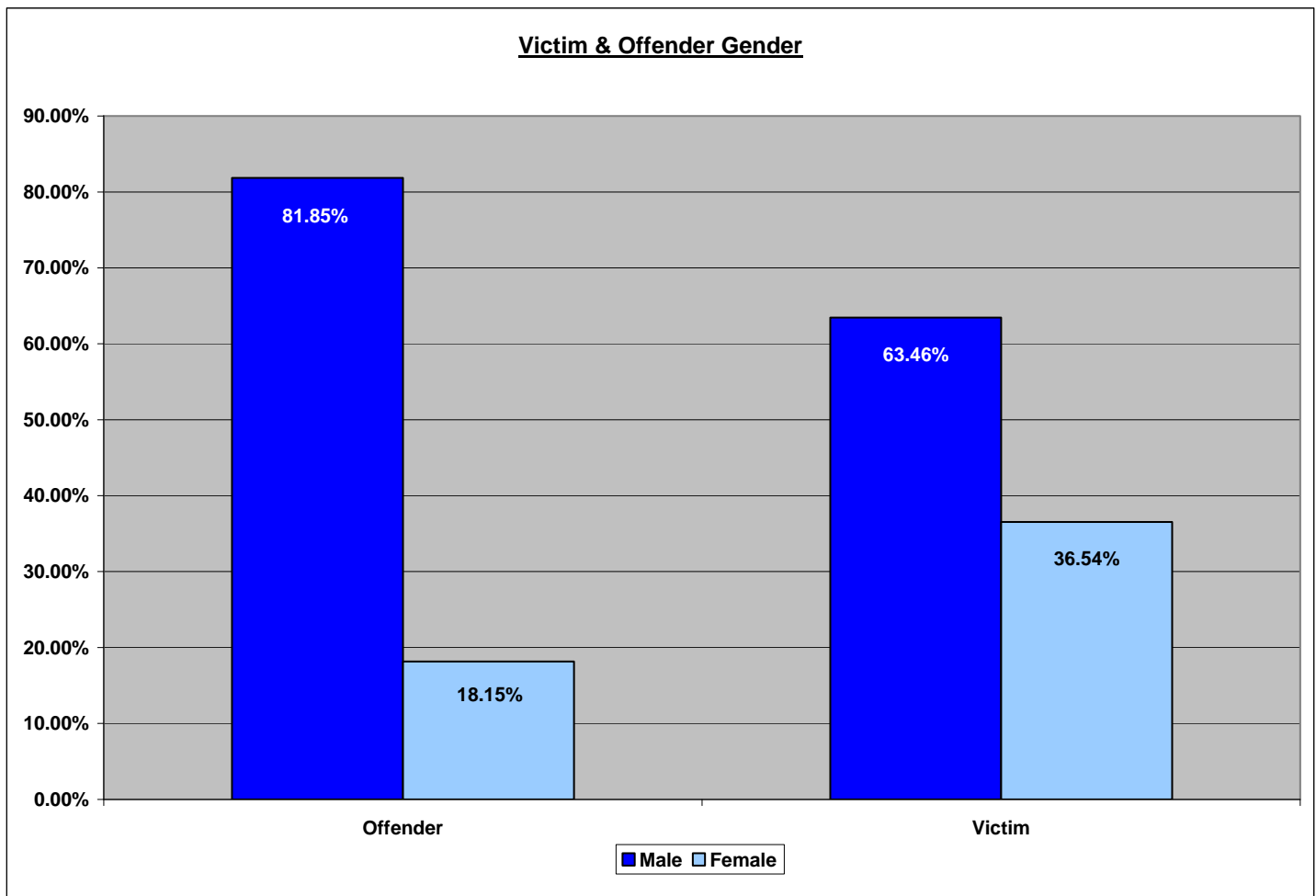
The perpetrator(s) of hate crimes were white in 68.49% of cases, and black in 24.79% of cases, in the 238 cases where this information was available. The perpetrator was male in 81.85% of cases, and of the cases where the offender(s)'s age group was reported, the most frequently reported age group was 16-20 years of age.

Victim & Offender Race



Victim & Offender Age





Characteristics of the Incidents

The majority of incidents occurred in residences (34.19%), followed by highways or streets (23%). Other locations where incidents occurred, in descending order, were schools/colleges (10.54%), other (5.43%), commercial and office buildings (3.83%), and religious facilities (3.19%).

Weapons of some type were used in 109 incidents (55.61%). In cases where the type of weapon was identified, hands/fists/feet were used most frequently (28.57% of the time), and knives were used in 4.08% of cases. “Other weapons” were listed in 18.37% of incidents.

Of the 236 incidents in which injury information was submitted, no visible injuries were reported in 187 (79.24%) of the incidents. Minor injuries were reported in 41 incidents (17.37%), and four incidents each of possible internal injuries (1.69%) and severe lacerations (1.69%) were reported.

Appendix

Table 1: Crimes Committed During Bias Attacks		
Hate Crimes	Number	% of Total
Harassment	106	20.31
General Civil Rights	98	18.77
Threats	83	15.90
Damage to Property	79	15.13
Simple Assault	57	10.92
Vandalism	33	6.32
Aggravated Assault	30	5.75
Disorderly Conduct	8	1.53
Burglary	7	1.34
Weapons Offenses	5	0.96
Larceny/Theft	5	0.96
Robbery	5	0.96
Trespass	2	0.38
Sex Offenses	1	0.19
Arson	1	0.19
Rape	1	0.19
Murder	1	0.19
Total	522	100

Table 2: Bias Types as Reported to Police		
Bias Types	Number	% of Total
Anti-Black	108	32.24
Anti-White	41	12.24
Anti-Hispanic	22	6.57
Anti-Arab	5	1.49
Anti-Asian	9	2.69
Anti-Other Race/Ethnicity	4	1.19
Subtotal Anti-Race/Ethnicity	189	56.42
Anti-Gay (Male)	67	20.00
Anti-Lesbian	14	4.18
Anti-Other Sexual	1	0.30
Subtotal Anti-Sexual Orientation	82	24.48
Anti-Semitic	45	13.42
Anti-Islamic	7	2.09
Anti-Catholic	2	0.60
Anti-Protestant	1	0.30
Anti-Other Religion	2	0.60
Subtotal Anti-Religion	57	17.01
Anti-Mental Handicap	4	1.19
Anti-Physical Handicap	1	0.30
Anti-Other Handicap	1	0.30
Subtotal Anti-Handicap	6	1.79
Anti-Female	1	0.30
Subtotal Anti-Gender	1	0.30
Total	335	100

Table 3: Crimes by Primary Victim's Race						
Criminal Offense	Black	White	Asian	Hispanic	Other Race/Ethnicity	Total
Vandalism	4	11	3	4		22
Harassment	31	53	3	10	1	98
Disorderly Conduct	3	5				8
Trespass		1				1
Threats	20	44	2	6	1	73
Damage to Property	5	28	3	2		38
Weapons Offense	4	1				5
Sex Offenses		1				1
Arson	1					1
Simple Assault	16	33		2	3	54
Larceny/Theft	1	1				2
Burglary		4				4
Aggravated Assault	9	14	1	1	2	27
Robbery	1	4				5
Rape		1				1
Murder	1					1
General Civil Rights	30	44	4	9	4	91
Total	70	138	7	16	5	432

Table 4: Bias Types by Primary Victim's Race						
Bias Types	Black	White	Asian	Hispanic	Other Race/Ethnicity	Total
Anti-Black	60	20	1	1	1	83
Anti-White	2	31				33
Anti-Asian		1	5			6
Anti-Hispanic	1	10		6	1	18
Anti-Arab		2			2	4
Anti-Other Race/Ethnicity	1	3				4
Anti-Semitic		16		3		19
Anti-Catholic		1				1
Anti-Islamic	2				3	5
Anti-Other Religion		1				1
Anti-Gay (Male)	6	45	1	5		57
Anti-Lesbian	2	10				12
Anti-Other Sexual		1				1
Anti-Mental Handicap		4				4
Anti-Physical Handicap			1			1
Anti-Other Handicap		1				1
Anti-Female				1		1
Total	74	146	8	16	7	251

Table 5: Crimes by County of Occurrence														
Criminal Offense	Barns	Berk	Brist	Essex	Frank	Hampd	Hampsh	Middle	Nant	Norf	Plym	Suff	Worc	Total
Vandalism								2				31		33
Harassment								1		2		103		106
Disorderly Conduct								1		1		6		8
Trespass												2		2
Threats			1	1	1	2	1	7		5	2	59	4	83
Damage to Property	1	3	3	4	1	6	4	16		6	3	20	12	79
Weapons Offenses												5		5
Sex Offenses							1							1
Arson												1		1
Simple Assault	3			3		2	1	4		2	3	39		57
Larceny/ Theft			3									2		5
Burglary			2					1	1		1	1	1	7
Aggravated Assault	1		3	3			1	3		3		15	1	30
Robbery						1		1		1		2		5
Rape								1						1
Murder												1		1
General Civil Rights								1		1	1	95		98
Total	5	3	11	11	2	10	8	33	1	15	9	187	17	522

Table 6: Bias Types by County of Occurrence

Bias Types	Barns	Berk	Brist	Essex	Frank	Hampd	Hampsh	Middle	Nant	Norf	Plym	Suff	Worc	Total
Anti-Black	2	1	1	4	2	3	5	7		9	2	68	4	108
Anti-White			7	2		1		4			2	22	3	41
Anti-Asian												9		9
Anti-Hispanic			1	2		2						15	2	22
Anti-Arab												5		5
Anti-Other Race/ Ethnicity								1				3		4
Anti-Semitic		2		1		2	1	9		2	1	19	8	45
Anti-Catholic								1				1		2
Anti-Protestant				1										1
Anti-Islamic								1				6		7
Anti-Other Religion												2		2
Anti-Gay (Male)	3		1			1	2	6	1	2	2	49		67
Anti-Lesbian			1	1				3		2	2	5		14
Anti-Other Sexual												1		1
Anti-Mental Handicap								1				3		4
Anti-Physical Handicap												1		1
Anti-Other Handicap												1		1
Anti-Female												1		1
Total	5	3	11	11	2	9	8	33	1	15	9	211	17	335

Table 7: Crimes by Primary Perpetrator's Race					
Criminal Offense	Black	White	Asian	Hispanic	Total
Vandalism	1	7			8
Harassment	25	56	3	5	89
Disorderly Conduct	1	4		1	6
Trespass		1			1
Threats	12	46	1	2	61
Damage to Property		10		2	12
Weapons Offenses	1	4			5
Sex Offenses		1			1
Arson				1	1
Simple Assault	11	34		2	47
Larceny/Theft		1			1
Burglary		2			2
Aggravated Assault	10	16	1		27
Robbery		3			3
Rape		1			1
Murder		1			1
General Civil Rights	24	45	1	6	76
Total	41	122	4	9	342

Table 8: Bias Types by Primary Perpetrator's Race					
Bias Types	Black	White	Asian	Hispanic	Total
Anti-Black	6	50	1	3	60
Anti-White	15	10	1		26
Anti-Asian		3			3
Anti-Hispanic	4	11			15
Anti-Arab		3			3
Anti-Other Race/Ethnicity	1	2			3
Anti-Semitic		12			12
Anti-Catholic		1			1
Anti-Islamic		5		1	6
Anti-Gay (Male)	14	25	1	6	46
Anti-Lesbian	3	4			7
Anti-Other Sexual Orientation	1				1
Anti-Mental Handicap		2			2
Anti-Physical Handicap			1		1
Anti-Other Handicap	1				1
Anti-Female		1			1
Total	45	129	4	10	188

Table 9: Age of Victim		
Age Group	Number	Percent
10 and Under	4	1.61
11 thru 15	13	5.24
16 thru 20	29	11.69
21 thru 25	32	12.90
26 thru 30	27	10.89
31 thru 35	30	12.10
36 thru 40	26	10.48
41 thru 45	27	10.89
46 thru 50	22	8.87
51 thru 55	16	6.45
56 thru 60	9	3.63
60 and Up	13	5.24
Total	248	100

Table 10: Age of Perpetrator		
Age Group	Number	Percent
11 thru 15	13	7.47
16 thru 20	26	14.94
21 thru 25	24	13.79
26 thru 30	13	7.47
31 thru 35	19	10.92
36 thru 40	17	9.77
41 thru 45	19	10.92
46 thru 50	22	12.64
51 thru 55	6	3.45
56 thru 60	8	4.60
60 and Up	7	4.02
Total	174	100

Table 11: Target of Bias Crime		
Target	Number	Percent
Person	244	79.74
Private Property	19	6.21
Public Property	3	0.98
Religious Facility	10	3.27
Other	30	9.80
Total	306	100

Table 12: Location of Bias Crime		
Location	Frequency	Percent
Air/Bus/Train Terminal	4	1.28
Bank/Savings and Loan	1	0.32
Bar/Nightclub	5	1.60
Church/Synagogue/Temple	10	3.19
Commercial/Office Building	12	3.83
Construction Site	4	1.28
Convenience Store	3	0.96
Department/Discount Store	4	1.28
Drug Store/Doctor's Office/Hospital	2	0.64
Field/Woods	5	1.60
Government/Public Building	8	2.56
Grocery/Supermarket	1	0.32
Highway/Road/Alley	72	23.00
Hotel/Motel/Etc.	2	0.64
Parking Lot/Garage	7	2.24
Residence/Home	107	34.19
Restaurant	8	2.56
School/College	33	10.54
Service/Gas Station	4	1.28
Specialty Store	3	0.96
Other/Unknown	17	5.73
Total	313	100

Table 13: Weapon Used During Incident		
Weapon	Number	Percent
Gun	3	1.53
Knife/Cutting	8	4.08
Sticks/Clubs	2	1.02
Rocks/Bricks	4	2.04
Hands/Feet/Fists	56	28.57
Other	36	18.37
None	87	44.39
Total	196	100

Table 14: Race of Victims		
Race	Number	% of Total
White	176	59.46
Black	88	29.73
Hispanic	17	5.74
Asian	8	2.70
Other Race/Ethnicity	7	2.36
Total	296	100

Table 15: Sex of Victims		
Sex	Number	% of Total
Male	198	63.46
Female	114	36.54
Total	312	100

Table 16: Race of Offenders		
Race	Number	% of Total
Black	59	24.79
White	163	68.49
Asian	5	2.10
Hispanic	11	4.62
Total	238	100

Table 17: Sex of Offenders		
Sex	Number	% of Total
Male	203	81.85
Female	45	18.15
Total	248	100

Table 18: Injury Types		
Injury Type	Number	% of Total
None Visible	187	79.24
Other Minor	41	17.37
Severe Lacerations	4	1.69
Possible Internal Injuries	4	1.69
Total	236	100

Reporting Agencies		
Agency	Population	# of Reported Biases
Acton	20,331	2
Amesbury	16,450	1
Arlington	42,389	1
Barnstable	47,821	4
Belmont	24,194	1
Bernardston	2,155	1
Beverly	39,862	1
Boston	589,141	165
Braintree	33,828	1
Cambridge	101,355	7
Chelsea	35,080	2
Cohasset	7,261	1
Danvers	25,212	1
Douglas	7,045	1
Duxbury	14,248	1
East Longmeadow	14,100	2
Erving	1,467	1
Framingham	66,910	4
Hardwick	2,622	1
Haverhill	58,969	4
Holbrook	10,785	3
Holyoke	39,838	1
Ipswich	12,987	1
Lakeville	9,821	2
Lawrence	72,043	1
Lenox	5,077	2
Lowell	105,167	2
Lynn	89,050	1
Malden	56,340	1
Marion	5,123	1
Medford	55,765	1
Milton	26,062	1
Monson	8,359	1
Nantucket	9,520	1
Natick	32,170	1
New Bedford	93,768	3
Newbury	6,717	1
Newton	83,829	1
Norfolk	10,460	1
North Reading	13,837	3
Northampton	28,978	4
Northboro	14,013	1
Norton	18,036	7
Oxford	13,352	2
Pittsfield	45,793	1
Plainville	7,683	1
Plymouth	51,701	2

Reporting Agencies		
Agency	Population	# of Reported Biases
Provincetown	3,431	1
Quincy	88,025	3
Randolph	30,963	1
Revere	47,283	11
Sharon	17,408	1
Somerville	77,478	1
South Hadley	17,196	2
Southbridge	17,214	3
Southwick	8,835	1
Springfield	152,082	4
Tewksbury	28,851	1
Upton	5,642	1
Waltham	59,226	1
Wareham	20,335	2
Watertown	32,986	1
West Boylston	7,481	1
Westport	14,183	1
Wilbraham	13,473	1
Winthrop	18,303	1
Worcester	172,648	7
Bentley College	0	1
Bridgewater SC	0	1
Dean College	0	2
Framingham SC	0	3
Harvard University	0	1
Northeastern University	0	9
U-Mass Amherst	0	2
U-Mass Boston	0	1
Statewide Total	2,909,757	314

Agencies reporting Zero Hate Crimes	
Agency	Population
Abington	14,605
Acushnet	10,161
Adams	8,809
Agawam	28,144
Amherst	34,874
Andover	31,247
Aquinnah	344
Ashburnham	5,546
Ashby	2,845
Ashland	14,674
Athol	11,299
Attleboro	42,068
Auburn	15,901
Avon	4,443
Ayer	7,287
Barre	5,113
Becket	1,755
Bedford	12,595
Belchertown	12,968
Bellingham	15,314
Berkley	5,749
Berlin	2,380
Billerica	38,981
Blackstone	8,804
Bolton	4,148
Bourne	18,721
Boxboro	4,868
Boxford	7,921
Boylston	4,008
Brewster	10,094
Bridgewater	25,185
Brimfield	3,339
Brockton	94,304
Brookline	57,107
Buckland	1,991
Burlington	22,876
Canton	20,775
Carlisle	4,717
Carver	11,163
Charlemont	1,358
Charlton	11,263
Chatham	6,625
Chelmsford	33,858
Cheshire	3,401
Chesterfield	1,201
Chicopee	54,653
Chilmark	843
Clinton	13,435

Agencies reporting Zero Hate Crimes	
Agency	Population
Concord	16,993
Cummington	978
Dalton	6,892
Dartmouth	30,666
Dedham	23,464
Deerfield	4,750
Dennis	15,973
Dighton	6,175
Dover	5,558
Dracut	28,562
Dudley	10,036
East Bridgewater	12,974
East Brookfield	2,097
Eastham	5,453
Easthampton	15,994
Easton	22,299
Edgartown	3,779
Egremont	1,345
Essex	3,267
Everett	38,037
Fairhaven	16,159
Fall River	91,938
Falmouth	32,660
Fitchburg	39,102
Franklin	29,560
Freetown	8,472
Gardner	20,770
Georgetown	7,377
Gill	1,363
Gloucester	30,273
Goshen	921
Grafton	14,894
Granby	6,132
Granville	1,521
Great Barrington	7,527
Greenfield	18,168
Groton	9,547
Groveland	6,038
Hadley	4,793
Halifax	7,500
Hamilton	8,315
Hampden	5,171
Hanover	13,164
Hanson	9,495
Harvard	5,981
Harwich	12,386
Harwich	12,386
Hatfield	3,249

Agencies reporting Zero Hate Crimes	
Agency	Population
Hingham	19,882
Hinsdale	1,872
Holden	15,621
Holliston	13,801
Hopedale	5,907
Hopkinton	13,346
Hubbardston	3,909
Hudson	18,113
Hull	11,050
Kingston	11,780
Lancaster	7,380
Lanesborough	2,990
Lee	5,985
Leicester	10,471
Leominster	41,303
Lexington	30,355
Lincoln	8,056
Littleton	8,184
Longmeadow	15,633
Ludlow	21,209
Lunenburg	9,401
Lynnfield	11,542
Manchester-by-the-sea	5,228
Mansfield	22,414
Marblehead	20,377
Marlborough	36,255
Marshfield	24,324
Mashpee	12,946
Mattapoisett	6,268
Maynard	10,433
Medfield	12,273
Medway	12,448
Melrose	27,134
Mendon	5,286
Merrimac	6,138
Methuen	43,789
Middleboro	19,941
Middleton	7,744
Milford	26,799
Millbury	12,784
Millis	7,902
Millville	2,724
Montague	8,489
Monterey	934
Nahant	3,632
Needham	28,911
New Salem	929
Newburyport	17,189
North Adams	14,681

Agencies reporting Zero Hate Crimes	
Agency	Population
North Andover	27,202
North Attleboro	27,143
North Brookfield	4,683
Northbridge	13,182
Northfield	2,951
Norwell	9,765
Norwood	28,587
Oak Bluffs	3,713
Oakham	1,673
Orange	7,518
Orleans	6,341
Palmer	12,497
Paxton	4,386
Peabody	48,129
Pelham	1,403
Pembroke	16,927
Pepperell	11,142
Plympton	2,637
Princeton	3,353
Raynham	11,739
Reading	23,708
Rehoboth	10,172
Rochester	4,581
Rockport	7,767
Rowley	5,500
Royalston	1,254
Rutland	6,353
Salem	40,407
Salisbury	7,827
Sandwich	20,136
Saugus	26,078
Savoy	705
Scituate	17,863
Seekonk	13,425
Shelburne	2,058
Sherborn	4,200
Shirley	6,373
Shrewsbury	31,640
Somerset	18,234
Southampton	5,387
Southborough	8,781
Spencer	11,691
Sterling	7,257
Stockbridge	2,276
Stoneham	22,219
Stoughton	27,149
Stow	5,902
Sturbridge	7,837
Sudbury	16,841

Agencies reporting Zero Hate Crimes	
Agency	Population
Sunderland	3,777
Sutton	8,250
Swampscott	14,412
Swansea	15,901
Taunton	55,976
Templeton	6,799
Tisbury	3,755
Topsfield	6,141
Townsend	9,198
Truro	2,087
Tyngsboro	11,081
Uxbridge	11,156
Wakefield	24,804
Wales	1,737
Walpole	22,824
Ware	9,707
Wareham	20,335
Warren	4,776
Wayland	13,100
Webster	16,415
Wellesley	26,613
Wellfleet	2,749
Wenham	4,440
West Bridgewater	6,634
West Brookfield	3,804
West Newbury	4,149
West Tisbury	2,467
Westborough	17,997
Westfield	40,072
Westford	20,754
Westhampton	1,468
Westminster	6,907
Weston	11,469
Westwood	14,117
Weymouth	53,988
Whately	1,573
Whitman	13,882
Williamsburg	2,427
Williamstown	8,424
Wilmington	21,363
Winchendon	9,611
Winchester	20,810
Woburn	37,258
Wrentham	10,554
Yarmouth	24,807
SP Barnstable-Middleboro	0
SP Berkshire-Northampton	0
SP Berkshire-Weston	0
SP Bristol-Framingham	0

Agencies reporting Zero Hate Crimes	
Agency	Population
SP Bristol-Middleboro	0
SP Dukes-Middleboro	0
SP Essex-Framingham	0
SP Franklin-Holden	0
SP Franklin-Northampton	0
SP Hampden-Northampton	0
SP Hampden-Weston	0
SP Hampshire-Northampton	0
SP Middlesex-Framingham	0
SP Middlesex-Holden	0
SP Middlesex-Weston	0
SP Norfolk-Framingham	0
SP Norfolk-Middleboro	0
SP Plymouth-Middleboro	0
SP Suffolk-Framingham	0
SP Suffolk-Weston	0
SP Worcester-Holden	0
SP Worcester-Weston	0
Environmental Police	0
MBTA-Bristol	0
MBTA-Essex	0
MBTA-Middlesex	0
MBTA-Norfolk	0
MBTA-Plymouth	0
MBTA-Suffolk	0
MBTA-Worcester	0
Amherst College	0
Assumption College	0
Bentley College	0
Boston College	0
Boston University	0
Brandeis University	0
Bristol CC	0
Clark University	0
Emerson College	0
Fitchburg SC	0
Framingham SC	0
Hampshire College	0
Harvard University	0
Holyoke CC	0
Lasell College	0
MA College Liberal Arts	0
MA College Liberal Arts	0
Mass College of Art	0
Merrimack College	0
MIT	0
Mt. Holyoke College	0
North Shore CC	0
Salem SC	0

Agencies reporting Zero Hate Crimes	
Agency	Population
Smith College	0
Springfield College	0
U-Mass Dartmouth	0
Wellesley College	0
Western NE College	0

Agencies reporting Zero Hate Crimes	
Agency	Population
Westfield SC	0
Worcester Polytechnic In	0
Beth Israel Deaconess	0
Total Population	3,358,836

Non-reporting Agencies	
Agency	Population
Gosnold	86
Monroe	93
Mount Washington	130
New Ashford	247
Hawley	336
Tyringham	350
Rowe	351
Alford	399
Tolland	426
Middlefield	542
Washington	544
Plainfield	589
Montgomery	654
Florida	676
Hancock	721
Warwick	750
Leyden	772
Heath	805
Peru	821
Sandisfield	824
Windsor	875
New Braintree	927
Wendell	986
Petersham	1,180
Blandford	1,214
Worthington	1,270
Chester	1,308
Otis	1,365
West Stockbridge	1,416
New Marlboro	1,494
Richmond	1,604
Phillipston	1,621
Russell	1,657
Leverett	1,663
Clarksburg	1,686
Ashfield	1,800
Conway	1,809

Non-reporting Agencies	
Agency	Population
Shutesbury	1,810
Colrain	1,813
Huntington	2,174
Holland	2,407
Dunstable	2,829
Brookfield	3,051
Sheffield	3,335
Foxborough	16,246
Rockland	17,670
West Springfield	27,899
Babson College	0
Fisher College	0
Massasoit CC	0
Quinsigamond CC	0
Suffolk University	0
Tufts U Worcester	0
Tufts U Suffolk	0
Tufts University	0
U-Mass Lowell	0
U-Mass Worcester	0
Wentworth Institute	0
Bunker Hill CC	0
Total Population	113,225

Crimes Committed During Bias Attacks (Counts)						
Crime	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	Total
Harassment	95	106	117	103	106	527
General Civil Rights	62	82	88	75	98	405
Threats	88	74	54	78	83	377
Vandalism	59	117	129	38	33	376
Damage to Property	77	104	22	91	79	373
Simple Assault	57	56	72	60	57	302
Aggravated Assault	37	54	52	35	30	208
Larceny/Theft	21	15	10	8	5	59
Weapons Offense	4	13	11	7	5	40
Disorderly Conduct	8	7	11	3	8	37
Robbery	11	5	11	4	5	36
Burglary	3	4	2	4	7	20
Trespass	2	3	4	8	2	19
Damage Religious Objects	1	2	3	0	0	6
Arson	2	1	0	1	1	5
Sex Offenses	1	1	1	0	1	4
Rape	0	1	0	1	1	3
Murder	0	0	0	0	1	1
Total	528	645	587	516	522	2798

Crimes Committed during Bias Attacks (Percentages)						
Crime	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	Total
Harassment	18.0%	16.4%	19.9%	20.0%	20.3%	18.8%
General Civil Rights	11.7%	12.7%	15.0%	14.5%	18.8%	14.5%
Threats	16.7%	11.5%	9.2%	15.1%	15.9%	13.5%
Vandalism	11.2%	18.1%	22.0%	7.4%	6.3%	13.4%
Damage to Property	14.6%	16.1%	3.7%	17.6%	15.1%	13.3%
Simple Assault	10.8%	8.7%	12.3%	11.6%	10.9%	10.8%
Aggravated Assault	7.0%	8.4%	8.9%	6.8%	5.7%	7.4%
Larceny/Theft	4.0%	2.3%	1.7%	1.6%	1.0%	2.1%
Weapons Offense	0.8%	2.0%	1.9%	1.4%	1.0%	1.4%
Disorderly Conduct	1.5%	1.1%	1.9%	0.6%	1.5%	1.3%
Robbery	2.1%	0.8%	1.9%	0.8%	1.0%	1.3%
Burglary	0.6%	0.6%	0.3%	0.8%	1.3%	0.7%
Trespass	0.4%	0.5%	0.7%	1.6%	0.4%	0.7%
Damage Religious Objects	0.2%	0.3%	0.5%	0.0%	0.0%	0.2%
Arson	0.4%	0.2%	0.0%	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%
Sex Offenses	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.0%	0.2%	0.1%
Rape	0.0%	0.2%	0.0%	0.2%	0.2%	0.1%
Murder	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.2%	0.0%
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

Bias Types as Reported to Police (Counts)						
Bias Type	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	Total
Anti-Black	117	108	121	112	108	566
Anti-Gay (Male)	62	71	76	62	67	338
Anti-Semitic	41	65	58	54	45	263
Anti-White	55	37	42	45	41	220
Anti-Hispanic	25	37	27	22	22	133
Anti-Lesbian	11	12	14	13	14	64
Anti-Asian	10	12	7	12	9	50
Anti-Islamic	9	13	2	6	7	37
Anti-Arab	9	5	8	5	5	32
Anti-Other Race/Ethnicity	5	3	5	2	4	19
Anti-Catholic	5	6	1	4	2	18
Anti-Physical Handicap	2	1	1	5	1	10
Anti-Protestant	1	6	1	0	1	9
Anti-Mental Handicap	2	2	1	0	4	9
Anti-Other Sexual Orientation	2	4	0	1	1	8
Anti-Other Religion	2	1	0	0	2	5
Anti-Other Handicap	0	0	0	0	1	1
Anti-Female	0	0	0	0	1	1
Total	358	383	364	343	335	1783

Bias Types as Reported to Police (Percentages)						
Bias Type	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	Total
Anti-Black	32.7%	28.2%	33.2%	32.7%	32.2%	31.7%
Anti-Gay (Male)	17.3%	18.5%	20.9%	18.1%	20.0%	19.0%
Anti-Semitic	11.5%	17.0%	15.9%	15.7%	13.4%	14.8%
Anti-White	15.4%	9.7%	11.5%	13.1%	12.2%	12.3%
Anti-Hispanic	7.0%	9.7%	7.4%	6.4%	6.6%	7.5%
Anti-Lesbian	3.1%	3.1%	3.8%	3.8%	4.2%	3.6%
Anti-Asian	2.8%	3.1%	1.9%	3.5%	2.7%	2.8%
Anti-Islamic	2.5%	3.4%	0.5%	1.7%	2.1%	2.1%
Anti-Arab	2.5%	1.3%	2.2%	1.5%	1.5%	1.8%
Anti-Other Race/Ethnicity	1.4%	0.8%	1.4%	0.6%	1.2%	1.1%
Anti-Catholic	1.4%	1.6%	0.3%	1.2%	0.6%	1.0%
Anti-Physical Handicap	0.6%	0.3%	0.3%	1.5%	0.3%	0.6%
Anti-Protestant	0.3%	1.6%	0.3%	0.0%	0.3%	0.5%
Anti-Mental Handicap	0.6%	0.5%	0.3%	0.0%	1.2%	0.5%
Anti-Other Sexual Orientation	0.6%	1.0%	0.0%	0.3%	0.3%	0.4%
Anti-Other Religion	0.6%	0.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.6%	0.3%
Anti-Other Handicap	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.3%	0.1%
Anti-Female	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.3%	0.1%
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

Crime Committed During Bias Attacks

