



## Data Declaration

### Table 8

#### Incidents, Victim Type by Bias Motivation, 2008

The FBI collects these data through the Uniform Crime Reporting Program's Hate Crime Statistics Program.

#### General comments

- This table presents the number of hate crime incidents distributed by the victim type and bias motivation.
- The Hate Crime Statistics Program collects data about both single-bias and multiple-bias hate crimes. A single-bias incident is defined as an incident in which one or more offense types are motivated by the same bias. A multiple-bias incident is defined as an incident in which more than one offense type occurs and at least two offense types are motivated by different biases.
- In the Hate Crime Statistics Program, the victim of a hate crime may be an individual, a business, an institution, or society as a whole.

#### Methodology

The data used in creating this table were from all law enforcement agencies submitting one or more hate crime incidents for at least 1 month of the calendar year. The published data, therefore, do not necessarily represent reports from each participating agency for 12 months or 4 quarters.

#### If you have questions about this table

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