



Location Type

Law enforcement agencies reporting hate crime incidents may specify the location of an offense as one of 25 location designations. Locations (based on Table 10) of the hate crime incidents reported in 2009 were as follows:

- 31.3 percent of hate crime incidents happened in or near residences or homes.
- 17.2 percent took place on highways, roads, alleys, or streets.
- 11.4 percent occurred at schools or colleges.
- 6.1 percent transpired in parking lots or garages.
- 4.3 percent happened in churches, synagogues, or temples.
- 2.0 percent transpired in bars or nightclubs.
- 1.9 percent occurred in commercial office buildings.
- 1.6 percent took place in government/public buildings.
- 13.3 percent happened in *other* or unknown locations.
- 10.9 percent occurred in the remaining specified location categories (e.g., air/bus/train terminal, convenience store, service/gas station) or in multiple locations.

Location by bias motivation

Racial bias

Of the 3,199 hate crime incidents motivated by racial bias in 2009:

- 33.3 percent transpired in or near residences or homes.
- 18.8 percent occurred on highways, roads, alleys, or streets.

- 12.4 percent happened at schools or colleges.
- 6.6 percent took place in parking lots or garages.
- 10.2 percent occurred in *other* or unknown locations.
- 18.7 percent happened in the remaining specified location categories or in multiple locations.

Religious bias

In 2009, 1,303 reported hate crime incidents occurred because of a religious bias. Of these:

- 24.9 percent happened in or near residences or homes.
- 17.6 percent occurred in churches, synagogues, or temples.
- 12.9 percent transpired at schools or colleges.
- 22.0 percent took place in *other* or unknown locations.
- 22.6 percent occurred in the remaining specified location categories or in multiple locations.

Sexual-orientation bias

Law enforcement agencies in 2009 reported 1,223 hate crime incidents based on a bias against a particular sexual orientation. Of those:

- 31.2 percent transpired in or near residences or homes.
- 21.3 percent happened on highways, roads, alleys, or streets.
- 10.1 percent occurred at schools or colleges.
- 6.9 percent took place in parking lots or garages.
- 5.1 percent occurred in bars or nightclubs.
- 13.7 percent transpired in *other* or unknown locations.

- 11.8 percent happened in the remaining specified location categories or in multiple locations.

Ethnicity/national origin bias

Of the 777 hate crime incidents motivated by ethnicity/national origin bias as reported by law enforcement in 2009:

- 32.6 percent occurred in or near residences or homes.
- 21.8 percent took place on highways, roads, alleys, or streets.
- 8.2 percent happened in parking lots or garages.
- 8.2 percent transpired at schools or colleges.
- 10.3 percent happened in *other* or unknown locations.
- 18.9 percent took place in the remaining specified location categories.

Disability bias

Law enforcement agencies reported that 96 hate crime incidents were motivated by bias against individuals with a disability (either physical or mental) in 2009. Of these:

- 47.9 percent occurred in or near residences or homes.
- 11.5 percent transpired on highways, roads, alleys, or streets.
- 15.6 percent happened in *other* or unknown locations.
- 25.0 percent took place in the remaining specified location categories.

Multiple-bias incidents

Six multiple-bias hate crime incidents were reported in 2009. Of these:

- 2 happened in or near a residence or home.
- 2 transpired in multiple locations.
- 1 occurred in a restaurant.

- 1 took place at a school/college.