



2023 ANNUAL HATE-MOTIVATED CRIME REPORT

HIGHLIGHTS

DIVERSITY, EQUITY AND INCLUSION

COMMUNITY SAFETY AND WELL-BEING SERVICES



DATA HIGHLIGHTS

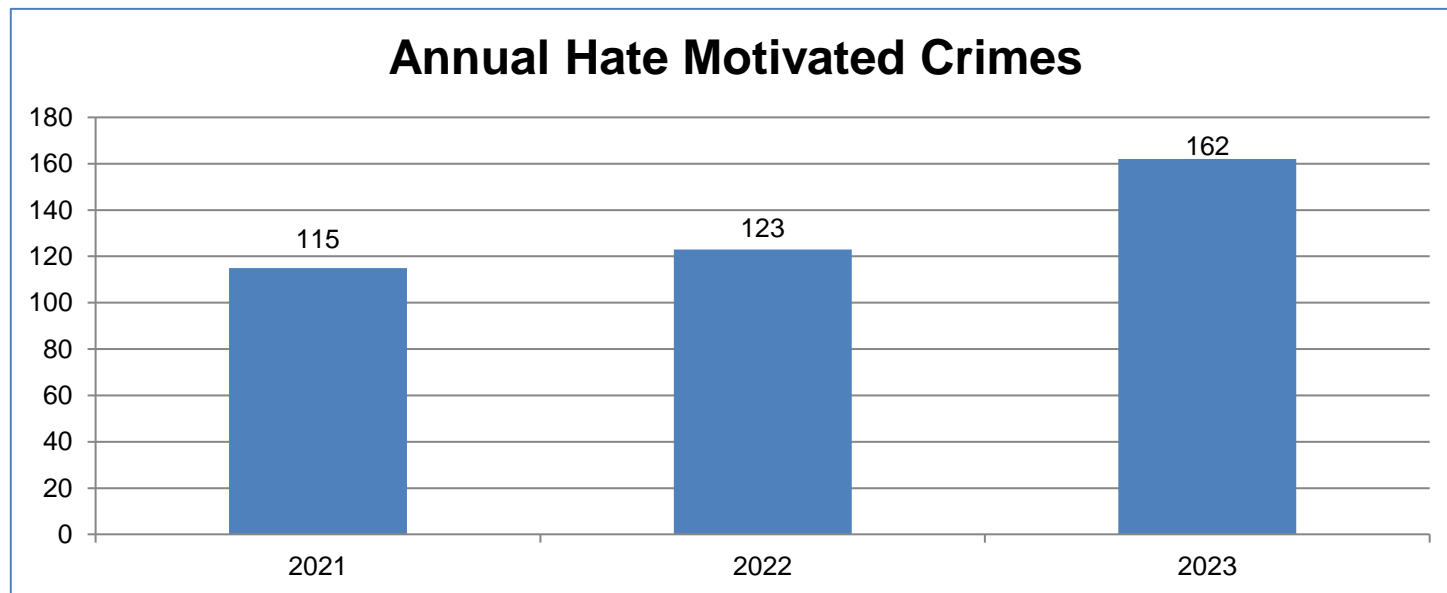
2023 HATE MOTIVATED CRIMES (HMC)



The total number of Criminal Code offences reported to Peel Regional Police in 2023 was 53,057. Of those, 162 were hate-motivated crimes.

In 2023, there were:

- 35 (22%) of the 162 reported hate motivated crimes resulted in charges.



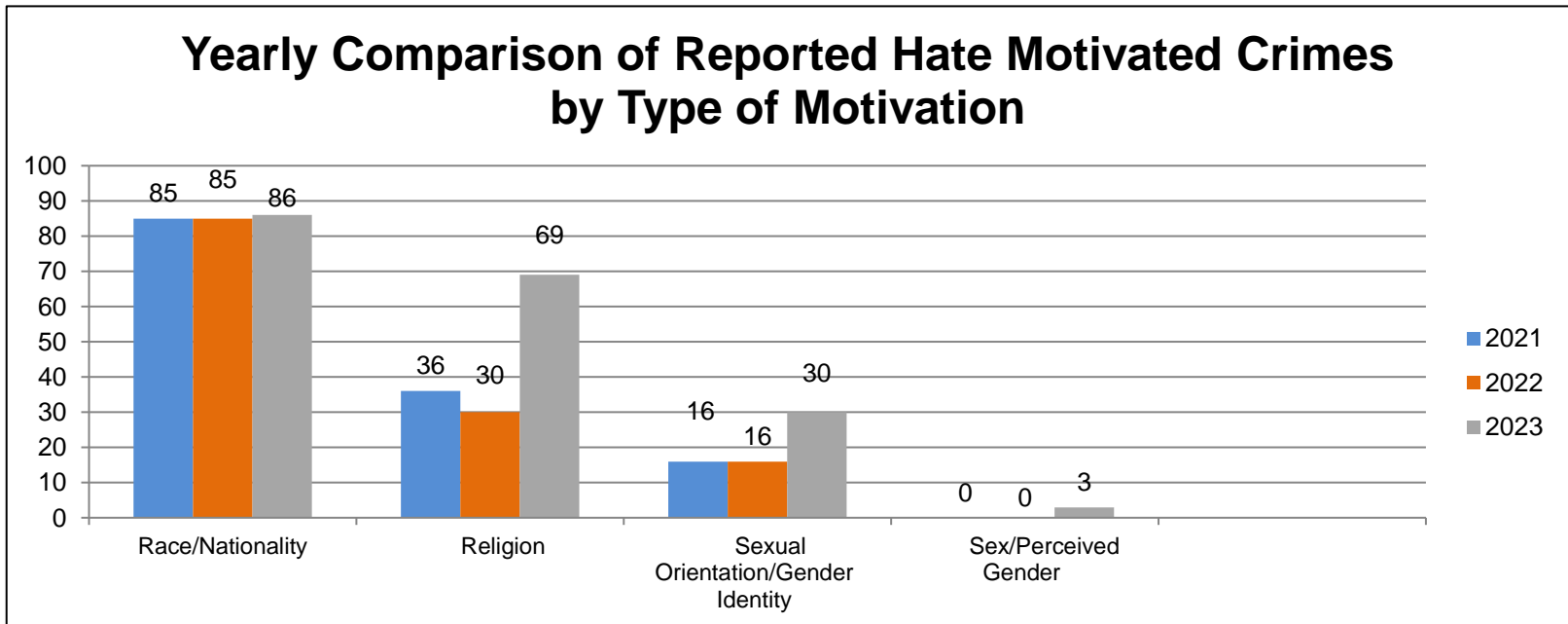
TARGETED GROUPS – MOTIVATION



The following graph depicts a yearly comparison of hate-motivated crimes reported to Peel Regional Police by motivation type from 2021 to 2023.

In 2023, there were:

- 86 crimes motivated by race/nationality
- 69 crimes motivated by religion (increase of 130%)
- 30 crimes motivated by sexual orientation (Increase of 88%)
- 3 crimes motivated by sex



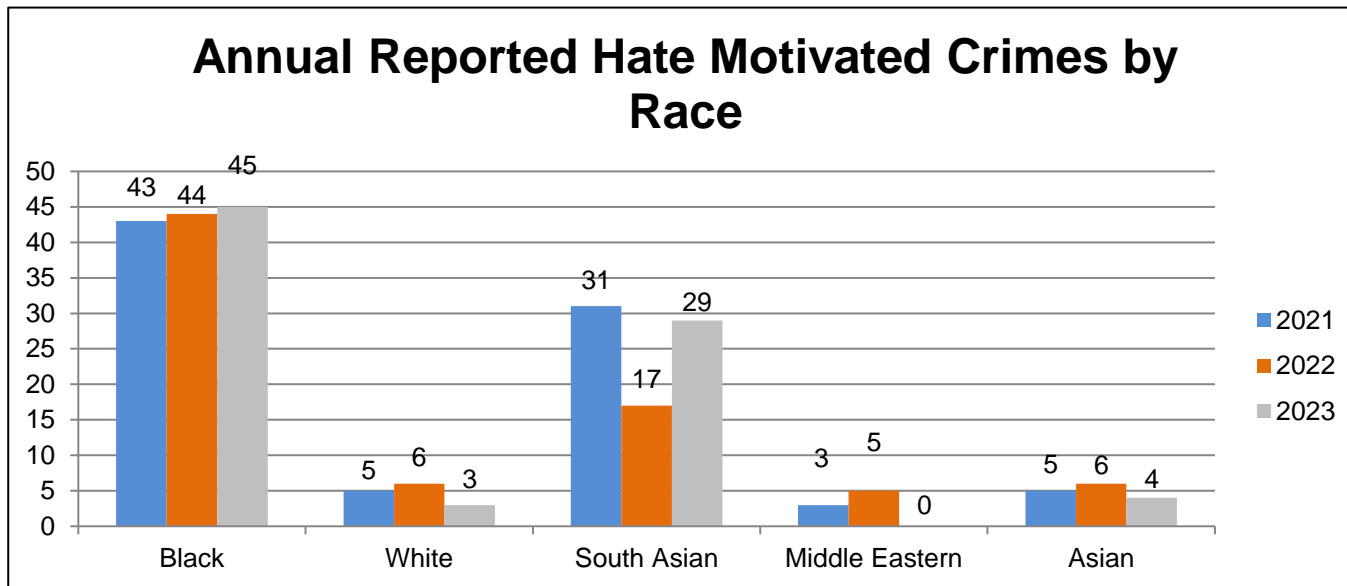
HATE MOTIVATED CRIMES BY RACE



The following graph outlines hate crime victimization reported to Peel Regional Police against ethnic origin and/or racial background from 2021 to 2023.

In 2023, there were:

- 45 instances against the Black communities
- 29 instances against the South Asian communities
- 4 instances against the Asian communities
- 3 instances against the White communities
- 0 instances against the Middle Eastern communities



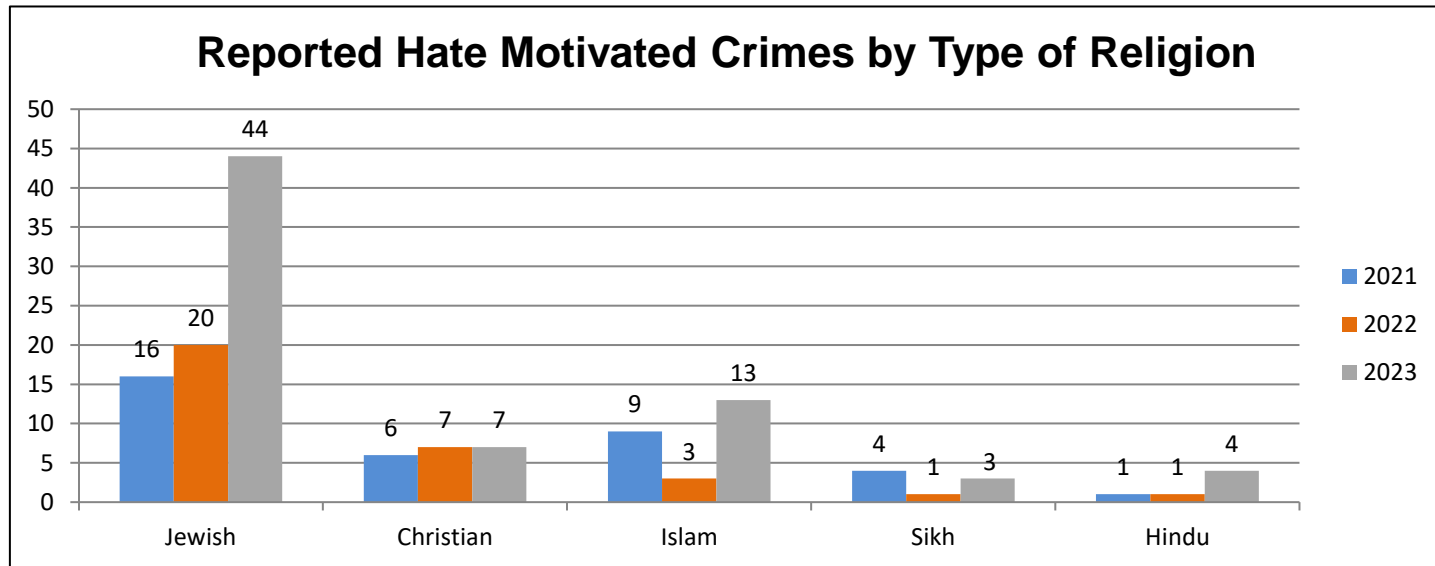
HATE MOTIVATED CRIMES BY RELIGION



The following graph represents the total number of hate motivated crimes reported to Peel Regional Police targeted against religious groups from 2021 to 2023.

In 2023, there were:

- 44 instances against the Jewish community
- 13 instances against the Muslim community
- 7 instances against the Christian community
- 4 instances against the Hindu community
- 3 instance against the Sikh community





NOTABLE TRENDS

NOTABLE TRENDS I: HMC BY RELIGION



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SUMMARY

Between 2022-2023 there was:

- An increase in religious based hate motivated crime by 130% from 30 in 2022, to 69 in 2023.
- An increase in victimization of the Jewish community from 20 in 2022, to 44 occurrences in 2023.
- An increase in victimization of the Muslim community from 3 occurrences in 2022, to 13 in 2023

TRENDING VARIABLES

- These increases correlate with the geopolitical events in the Middle East.
- Beginning on October 7th, 2023, the conflict had a direct impact on the Region of Peel as tensions in the community increased.
- The dissemination of hate speech, distribution of mis/disinformation that targeted the Jewish and Muslim population are examples of further contributing factors.

NOTABLE TRENDS II: HMC BY SEXUAL ORIENTATION/GENDER IDENTITY



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SUMMARY

In 2023, there was:

- 88% increase in reported hate crimes motivated by sexual orientation.

POTENTIAL TRENDING VARIABLES

- The recent uptick in 2SLGBTQ+ hate crimes can possibly be attributed to a trend that reflects a broader pattern of intolerance and discrimination against marginalized communities.
- Several factors contributed to this rise including the enactment of various legislation in various provinces across Canada and current geopolitical climate.
- Additionally, the Region of Peel and other communities across the province have seen an increase in protests and misinformation surrounding 2SLGBTQ+ community, which may be a contributing factor to this increase.



SUPPORTS & INITIATIVES

Hate-motivated crimes and incidents impact our community members in several negative ways. The residual impact of such crimes and incidents often results in feelings of fear, marginalization and alienation.

- To ensure that victims of hate-motivated crimes and incidents receive the necessary support and reassurance from PRP, and to help mitigate and minimize the above-noted concerns, PRP's 'Reassurance Protocol' has been vital.

In response to any hate-motivated crime or incident, the following steps are taken by DEI officers:

- The Regional Hate-Motivated Crime Coordinator or designate ensures that they follow up with the victim/complainant of all hate-motivated crime and hate incidents.
- Follow-ups with the victims/complainants are done in a timely manner. Given that public/personal safety is a crucial aspect of our service delivery, appropriate follow-ups and the provision of supports are imperative. During the follow-up process, Victim Services and any other relevant social support services are offered to affected community members.
- The DEI officer that conducts the follow up also ensures that a supplementary narrative is added to the original occurrence report.

ONLINE HATE CRIME REPORTING PLATFORM

- In 2023, the creation of an online hate crime reporting platform began. Keeping to PRPs ongoing modernization and accessibility improvement efforts, this online platform will allow for a higher degree of reporting where any computer or mobile device can be utilized. Improved data collection and analytics will aid police mobilization efficiencies and community response models.

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PLATFORM DEVELOPMENT OVERVIEW:

- **ACCESSIBILITY**
 - Removal of Barriers
 - Efficient
 - Privacy and Discreet Reporting
- **DATA AND ANALYTICS**
 - Reporting
 - Streamlined process
 - Improved data collection
- **THE WAY FORWARD**
 - More efficient police mobilization
 - Improving community relationships
 - Improved community service development

COMMUNITY RESILIENCE FUND

- Community Safety and Well-Being Services has been awarded a Community Resilience Fund grant from Public Safety Canada to support the National Strategy on Countering Radicalization to Violence (CRV).

PROJECT OVERVIEW:

- As a result of the grant, in June 2023 PRP assembled the Countering Hate Committee consisting of over 25 community partners representing a variety of organizations, ethnicities, religions and cultures.
- Through this collaborative approach, a community-base hate crime education and prevention module was co-developed.
- Through a train-the-trainer model, the training will be delivered to the community, by the community, with the support of PRP.
- Due to the overwhelming passion, commitment, and interest from our committee members, PRP applied for, and was successful in obtaining, the Proceeds of Crime – Front Line Policing (POC-FLP) grant through the Ministry of the Solicitor General.
- This grant has enabled PRP and its partners to hire an ETON Coordinator to expand on the work of the committee for an additional 2-year project.
- Additionally, the grant will include a permanent, wrapped, hate crime vehicle.
- [Video: Our Work](#)



THANK YOU