# **Offenders**

Reporting agencies identified 7,330 known offenders in 7,722 bias-motivated incidents in 2006. In the Uniform Crime Reporting Program, the term *known offender* does not imply that the suspect's identity is known. The term indicates that some aspect of the suspect was identified, thus distinguishing the suspect from an unknown offender. Law enforcement agencies specify the number of offenders and, when possible, the race of the offender or offenders as a group.

### By Race

An analysis of available race data for the 7,330 known hate crime offenders revealed that:

- 58.6 percent were white.
- 20.6 percent were black.
- 5.7 percent were groups made up of individuals of various races (multiple races, group).
- 1.1 percent were Asian/Pacific Islander.
- 1.0 percent of known offenders were American Indian/Alaskan Native.
- 12.9 percent were unknown.

(Based on Table 9.)

## By Crime Category

#### Crimes against persons

Of the 5,770 known hate crime offenders who committed crimes against persons in 2006:

- 36.7 percent committed simple assault.
- 35.0 percent intimidated their victims
- 27.8 percent committed aggravated assault.
- 0.2 percent murdered or raped their victims.
- 0.3 percent committed *other* types of offenses, which are collected only in the National Incident-Based Reporting System.

(Based on Table 2.)

#### **Crimes against property**

A total of 1,912 known hate crime offenders committed crimes against property in 2006. Of these offenders:

- 63.4 percent committed destruction/damage/vandalism.
- 16.3 percent committed robbery.
- 9.5 percent committed larceny-theft.
- 5.9 percent committed burglary.
- 1.6 percent committed arson.
- 0.9 percent committed motor vehicle theft.
- 2.5 percent committed other types of bias-motivated offenses.

(Based on Table 2.)

#### Crimes against society

In 2006, 58 known offenders committed 38 crimes against society involving 38 victims. Crimes against society are collected only in the National Incident-Based Reporting System. (See Table 2.)