



Offenders

Law enforcement agencies reporting hate crime data to the Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program identified 6,965 known offenders in 7,624 bias-motivated incidents in 2007. In the UCR Program, the term *known offender* does not imply that the suspect's identity is known; rather, 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

In 2007, the races of the 6,965 known hate crime offenders were as follows:

- 62.9 percent were white.
- 20.8 percent were black.
- 4.9 percent were groups made up of individuals of various races (multiple races, group).
- 1.0 percent were American Indian/Alaskan Native.
- 0.7 percent were Asian/Pacific Islander.
- 9.8 percent were unknown.

(Based on Table 9.)

By crime category

Crimes against persons

A total of 5,542 known hate crime offenders committed crimes against persons in 2007. Of these offenders:

- 37.0 percent committed simple assault.

- 36.6 percent intimidated their victims.
- 25.4 percent committed aggravated assault.
- 0.3 percent murdered or raped their victims.
- 0.7 percent committed *other* types of offenses, which are collected only in the UCR Program's National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS). (Based on Table 2.)

Crimes against property

A total of 1,826 known hate crime offenders committed crimes against property in 2007. Of these offenders:

- 60.7 percent committed destruction/damage/vandalism.
- 21.5 percent committed robbery.
- 7.1 percent committed burglary.
- 6.9 percent committed larceny-theft.
- 1.8 percent committed arson.
- 0.2 percent committed motor vehicle theft.
- 1.8 percent committed *other* types of offenses, which are collected only in the NIBRS. (Based on Table 2.)

Crimes against society

In 2007, 25 known offenders committed 19 crimes against society involving 19 victims. Crimes against society are collected only via the NIBRS. (See Table 2.)