

Access to Public Information Request

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Date of response: 16 August 2021

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Request for information:

I am looking to find the statistics for hate crimes in the island. I have spoken with the Police and they have said that request needs to be put in with yourselves.

We are particularly looking at the breakdown of any incidents related to homophobia, transphobia and racism. We are looking to run a project across the island to highlight some of the issues with these, especially within schools as there has been a rise in homophobic and racist incidents there. We are looking to see what information there may be on the prevalence of these issues in general society. However, my understanding (form the police) is that it is at the discretion of the officer to log any incidents as being motivated by 'hate' and sometimes these just get noted as 'assault' but not the reason behind the assault.

Response:

Below are crimes recorded for 2020 (full year) and 2021 (Jan-Jun) that were marked as homophobic; transphobic or racial.

2020					
Crime Class	Homophobic	Homophobic; Racial	Racial	Transphobic	Grand Total
ASSAULT - COMMON ASSAULT ON ADULT			3		3
CRIMINAL DAMAGE - CRIMINAL DAMAGE	1		2		3
HARASSMENT - CONDUCT AMOUNTING TO HARASSMENT			1		1

PUBLIC ORDER - FEAR OR PROVOCATION OF VIOLENCE BY WORDS OR BEHAVIOUR			1		1
PUBLIC ORDER - USE THREATENING/ABUSIVE/INSULTING WORDS OR BEHAVIOUR			1		1
RACIAL HATRED - USE THREATENING, ABUSIVE, INSULTING WORDS OR BEHAVIOUR IN BROADCAST PROGRAMME TO STIR UP RACIAL HATRED			2		2
RACIAL HATRED - USE THREATENING, ABUSIVE, INSULTING WORDS OR BEHAVIOUR TO STIR UP RACIAL HATRED			1		1
TELECOMS - USE NETWORK TO SEND GROSSLY OFFENSIVE MESSAGE/MATTER	1				1
TELECOMS - USE NETWORK TO SEND OBSCENE MESSAGE/MATTER		1			1
THEFT - BURGLARY AND THEFT - RESIDENTIAL			1		1
THEFT - BURGLARY WITH INTENT TO COMMIT GRIEVOUS BODILY HARM				1	1
Grand Total	2	1	12	1	16

2021				
Crime Class	Homophobic	Homophobic; Racial	Racial	Grand Total
ASSAULT - THREAT TO KILL			1	1
ASSAULT - COMMON ASSAULT ON ADULT	1	1	5	7
CRIMINAL DAMAGE - CRIMINAL DAMAGE			1	1
RACIAL HATRED - USE THREATENING, ABUSIVE, INSULTING WORDS OR BEHAVIOUR TO STIR UP RACIAL HATRED			1	1
PUBLIC ORDER - FEAR OR PROVOCATION OF VIOLENCE BY WORDS OR BEHAVIOUR			1	1

HARASSMENT - CONDUCT AMOUNTING TO HARASSMENT			1	1
ASSAULT – HEALTH WORKER IN HOSPITAL			1	1
Grand Total	1	1	11	13