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Oregon Department of Justice Bias Response Hotline Reports on Anti-Semitism

2023 DATA

Total Hotline reports targeting any protected class in 2023: 2,932

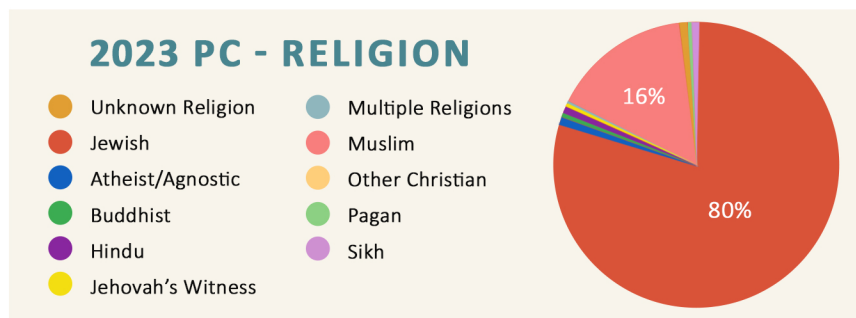
- **456 anti-Jewish bias reports** (accounting for 16% of all reports to the Hotline)
 - 37 felony hate crimes
 - 149 misdemeanor hate crimes
 - 273 bias incidents

- **Reports of anti-Jewish targeting in 2023 were 40% criminal and 60% bias incidents.**
As a reference point, for targeting all other PCs, crimes are about 22% of reports to the Hotline and incidents are about 60% of reports (with bias against non-protected classes, unable to determine, and bias criteria not met making up the remaining percentage points).

- **145% increase** in anti-Jewish bias reports from 2022 to 2023 (187 vs. 456)
 - Note: this is the second-highest increase in reporting by religious protected class this year, behind the 263% increase in reports of anti-Muslim targeting
 - Second note: this surge in reporting and targeting was occurring well before October 7, 2023.

- **47 anti-Israel reports** (out of 639 total anti-national origin¹ reports)

Within anti-religion reports (572 reports in 2023), anti-Jewish bias makes up 80% of reporting we receive:

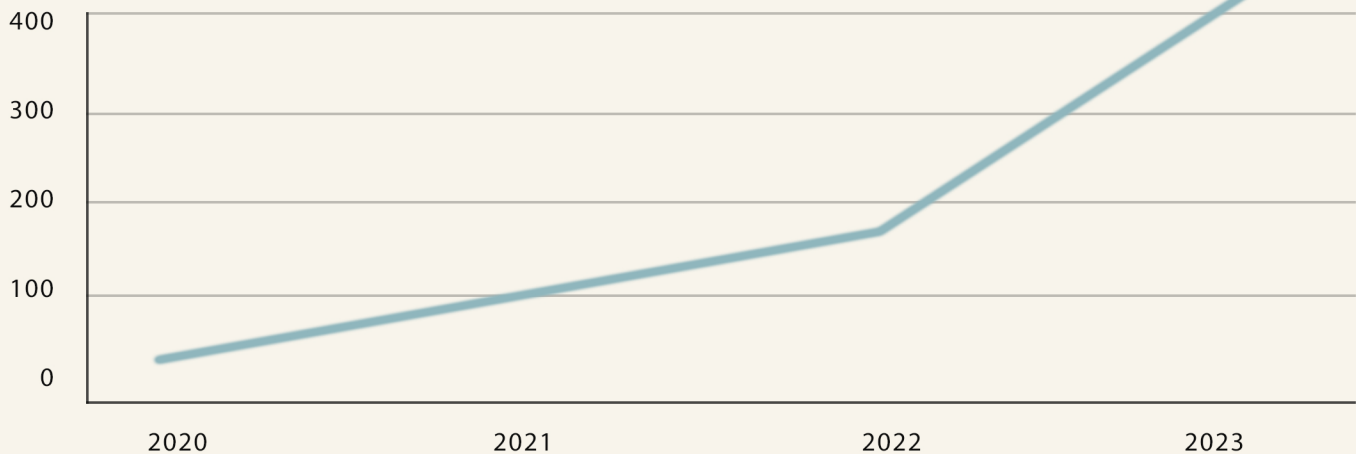


¹ Anti-national origin bias is differentiated from political speech under Oregon law and BRH procedure. Opposition to, support of, anger with, frustration towards, disowning of, dissent toward, and many other expressions, thoughts, or feelings regarding a domestic or foreign nation's government, policy, practice, or action may be considered political speech and do not constitute a bias incident under Oregon law or the BRH's determinations. The BRH must identify a hostile expression of animus regarding a person's identity to make a finding of bias. Consequently, the BRH figures will differ from agencies that use other definitions of national origin bias.

From 2020-2023, Hotline data show 775 anti-Jewish reports out of 9,294 total reports to the Hotline (8% of all reports):

- 34 anti-Jewish reports in 2020
- 97 anti-Jewish reports in 2021
- 188 anti-Jewish reports in 2022
- 456 anti-Jewish reports in 2023

Anti-Jewish Reports by Year



Referrals for these reports are most commonly:

- FBI and local law enforcement
- ADL
- Secure Community Network
- Jewish Federation of Greater Portland
- Jewish Federation of Lane Co
- Hotline's Emergency Monies Fund
- CVCP (counseling)

Connection to Extremism

Oregon has reports of 18 largely non-criminal flyering campaigns across the state by extremist groups in 2023, of which 16 incidents included anti-Jewish rhetoric.

Extremist groups responsible include:

- [Goyim Defense League \(GDL\)](#)
- [White Lives Matter](#)
- Southern Oregon Nationalists
- [ZOG](#)
- Posts on [Telegram](#)

Oregon has reports of 6 zoom-bombing events into local government meetings across the state since September 2023, all of which included anti-Jewish rhetoric.

Extremist groups responsible include:

- Many unknown
- GDL
- Within our [Community Toolkit](#), the Hotline both compiled and created resources to prevent and respond to zoom-bombings.