Hate Crime and Hate Related Incidents

In October 2020, a new approach to the recording of hate related discriminatory motives was introduced by An Garda Síochána. Since then, it is possible to record a hate discriminatory motive on both crime and non-crime incidents on PULSE. The hate discriminatory motives are recorded on any incidents which are perceived by the victim or any other person to, in whole or in part, be motivated by hostility or prejudice, based on actual or perceived age, disability, race, colour, nationality, ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation or gender (including gender identity). The calendar year 2021 was the first under the new recording approach for all these hate related incidents.

An Garda Síochána encourages all those who have experienced a hate related crime or non-crime incident to come forward and report it to us. We recognise, despite improvements, hate crime and hate related incidents are still under-reported. We will work with partners to build confidence and trust to encourage reporting to An Garda Síochána.

Annual updates of these figures will be collated and published on the Garda website. Information contained in this report is based upon operational data from PULSE; it is correct as of 7th July 2022 and may be liable to change. Crime counting rules have not been applied to reflect all incidents reported. Some sub-groups with low numbers have been aggregated to protect confidentiality.

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