

Hate Crime Update

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Definition

- Any incident or criminal offence perceived to be motivated by hostility or prejudice towards a person because of their...
 - Race,
 - Religion or belief,
 - Sexual orientation,
 - Gender identity (inc. Transgender).
 - Disability

Definition – Hate Crime

When a **criminal offence** of a hate nature is reported to South Yorkshire Police, either by the victim or another person, it will be recorded and investigated as a **hate crime**



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Hate hurts. Report it and put a stop to it.
Call 101 or 999 in an emergency or visit southyorks.police.uk/hatehurts



Non-Crime Hate Incident

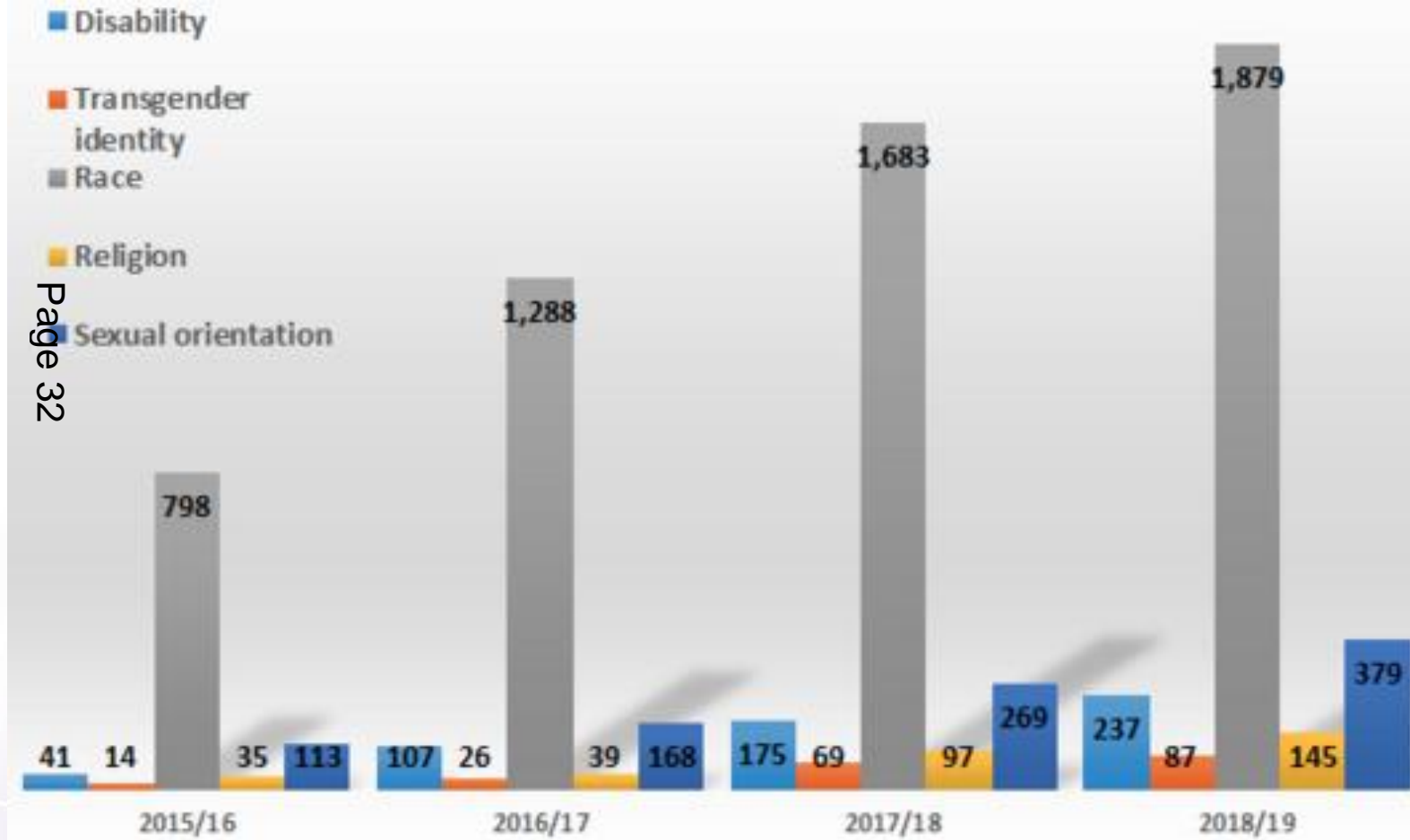
- A victim or witness may perceive that an action against them was motivated by the hostility and prejudice of the perpetrator - but **no** criminal offence has been committed.
- When an incident of this nature is reported to South Yorkshire Police, it will be recorded as a 'non-crime hate incident'.
- South Yorkshire Police personnel (officers or staff) will need to decide whether a hate crime or non-crime hate incident has occurred and respond appropriately.

Mate Crime” - Cuckooing

- Mate Crime’ is the exploitation of vulnerable people by others who seize an opportunity to prey on an individual’s weakness.
- In other words, befriending the vulnerable person in order to take from them what ever they can, knowing that the vulnerable person is unlikely to report them because they are their ‘Mate’.
- This can include borrowing money, consuming their food and drink, taking expensive electrical goods, bank cards etc. What ever they can exploit.
- This could even lead to them becoming involved in low level crime



Hate Crime Strands South Yorkshire



- The level of police recorded hate crimes in South Yorkshire has been increasing since 2015/16.
- In the year 2018/19 racially motivated hate crimes accounted for 69% of the total recorded hate crimes
- Data Source: Office for National Statistics



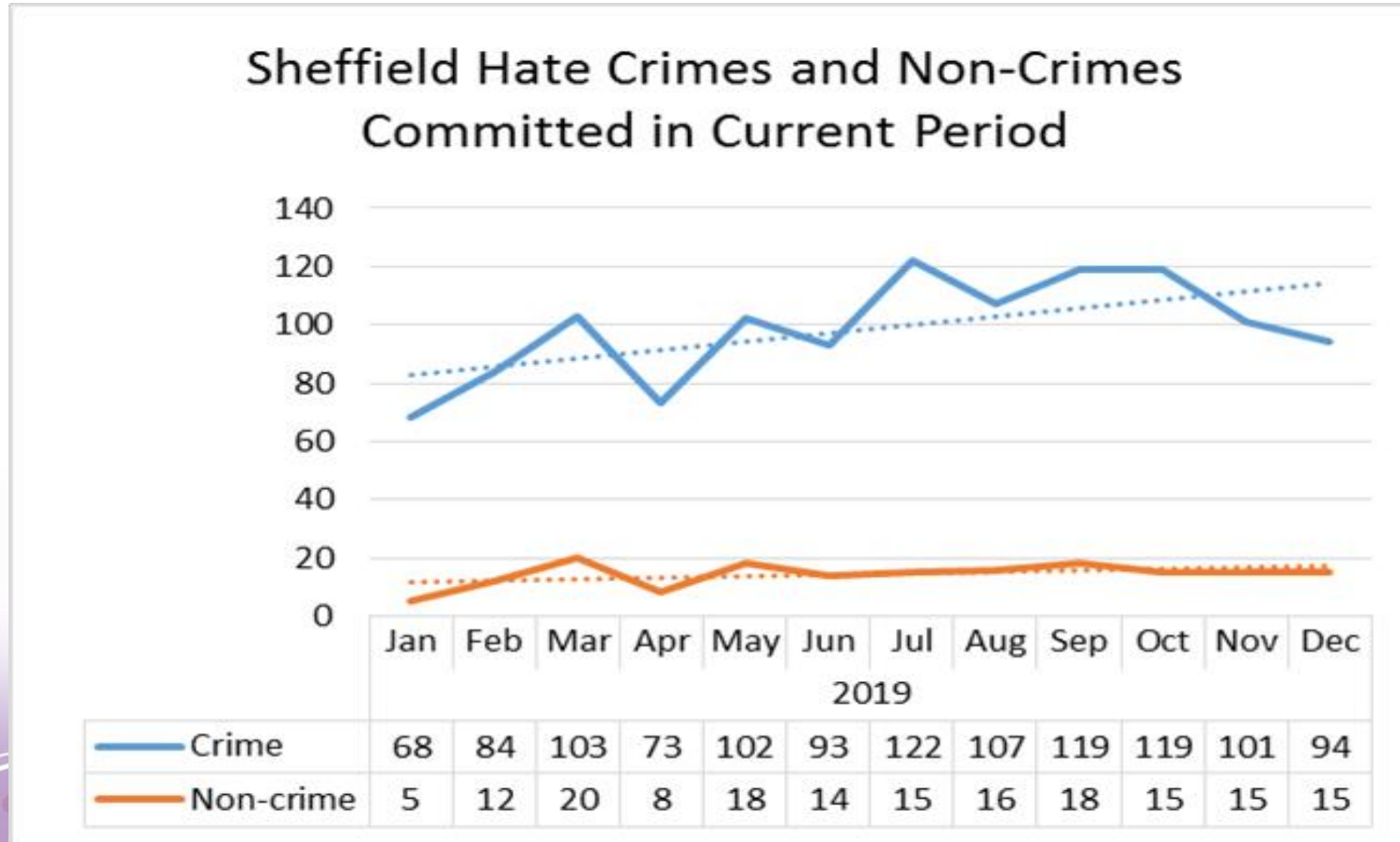
South Yorkshire Police Data - Sheffield

The most common type of hate crime reported to South Yorkshire Police is **Racial**. Figures below provide a quick overview / comparison of Hate Strands reported to SYP and verifies the National trend of Racial Crimes / Incidents being most prevalent.

Crime/Non-Crime	Hate Strand	
Crimes	Disability	12
	Gender	7
	Other	3
	Racial	172
	Religion	15
	Sexual Orientation	28
Non-Crimes	Disability	1
	Racial	6
	Religion	3
	Sexual Orientation	1

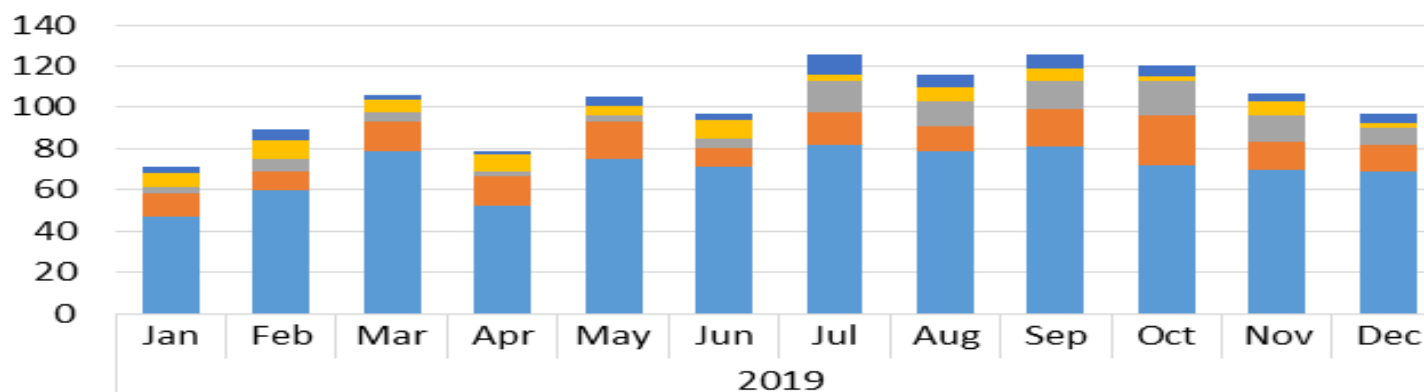


Sheffield Hate Crimes / Non Crime Figs 2019



Hate Factors 2019

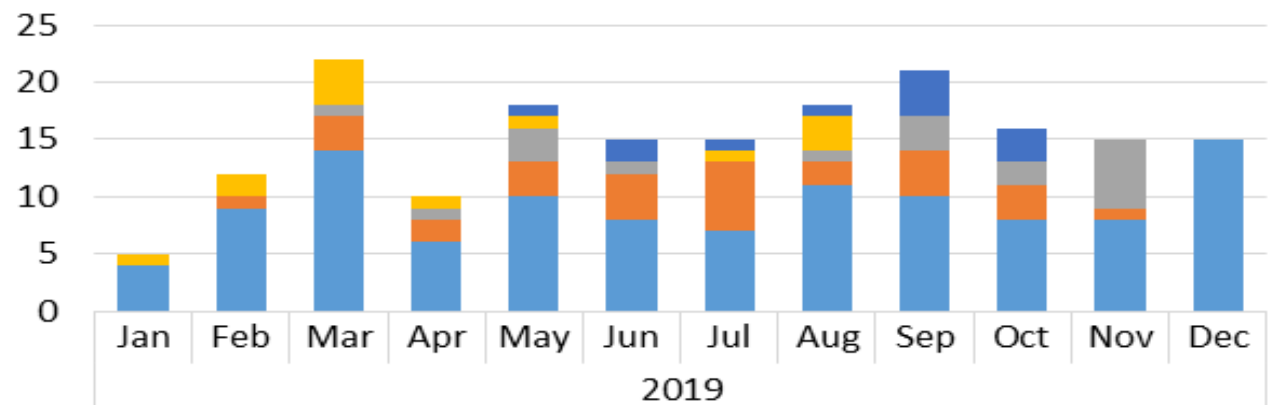
Sheffield Hate Factors Recorded on Crimes Committed in Current Period



	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
TRANSGENDER	3	5	2	2	4	3	10	6	7	5	4	5
RELIGION	7	9	6	8	5	9	3	7	6	2	7	2
DISABILITY	3	6	5	2	3	5	15	12	14	17	13	8
SEXUAL ORIENTATION	11	9	14	15	18	9	16	12	18	24	13	13
RACE	47	60	79	52	75	71	82	79	81	72	70	69

Hate Factors Non-Crimes 2019

Sheffield Hate Factors on Non-Crimes Committed in Current Period

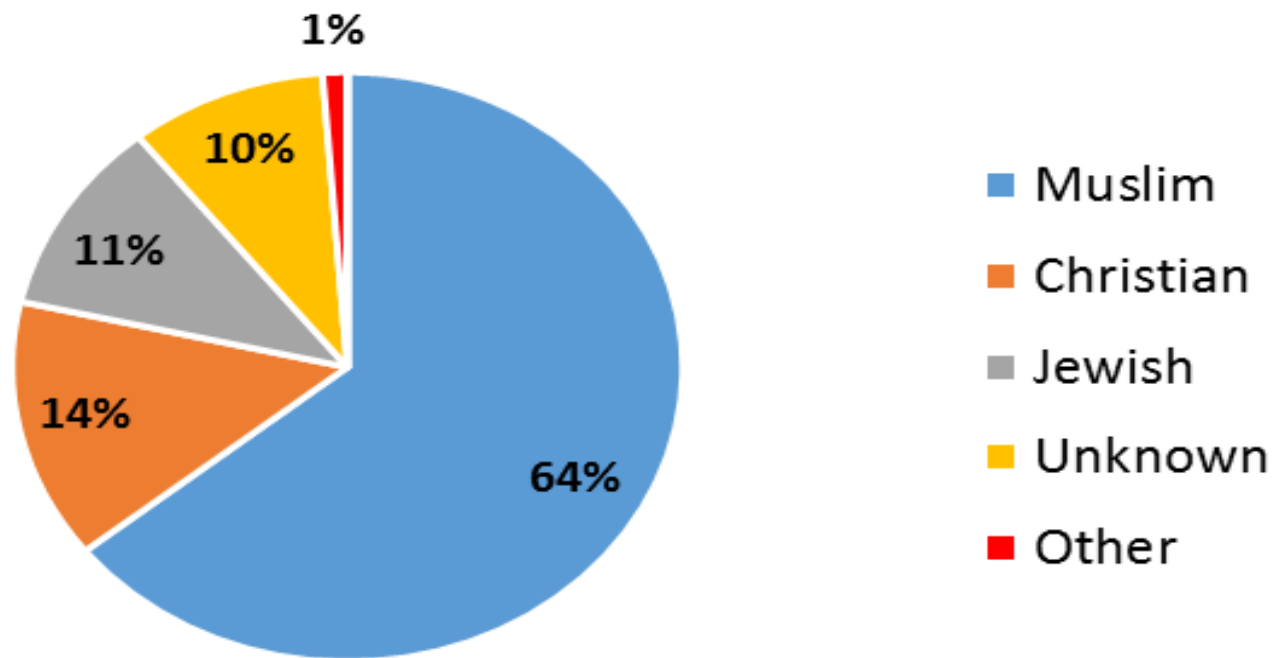


	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
TRANSGENDER	0	0	0	0	1	2	1	1	4	3	0	0
RELIGION	1	2	4	1	1	0	1	3	0	0	0	0
DISABILITY	0	0	1	1	3	1	0	1	3	2	6	0
SEXUAL ORIENTATION	0	1	3	2	3	4	6	2	4	3	1	0
RACE	4	9	14	6	10	8	7	11	10	8	8	15



Perceived Religion Breakdown Percentages 2019

Sheffield Perceived Religion Breakdown in Current Period



The demographics of the victims of hate-aggravated offences, by strand

Demographic	Racial	Disability	Sexual Orientation	Religion	Transgender
Sex	54% Male	49% Male	65% Male	55% Male	71% Female
Ethnicity	40% Unknown, 19% Asian, 16% White - North European, 16% Black	58% White - North European, 38% Unknown	51% White - North European, 43% Unknown	56% Unknown, 21% White - North European, 17% Asian	75% White - North European, 25% Unknown
Average Age	36 years	40 years	31 years	33 years	32 years
Age Range	0-82	9-78	6-74	6-57	12-67



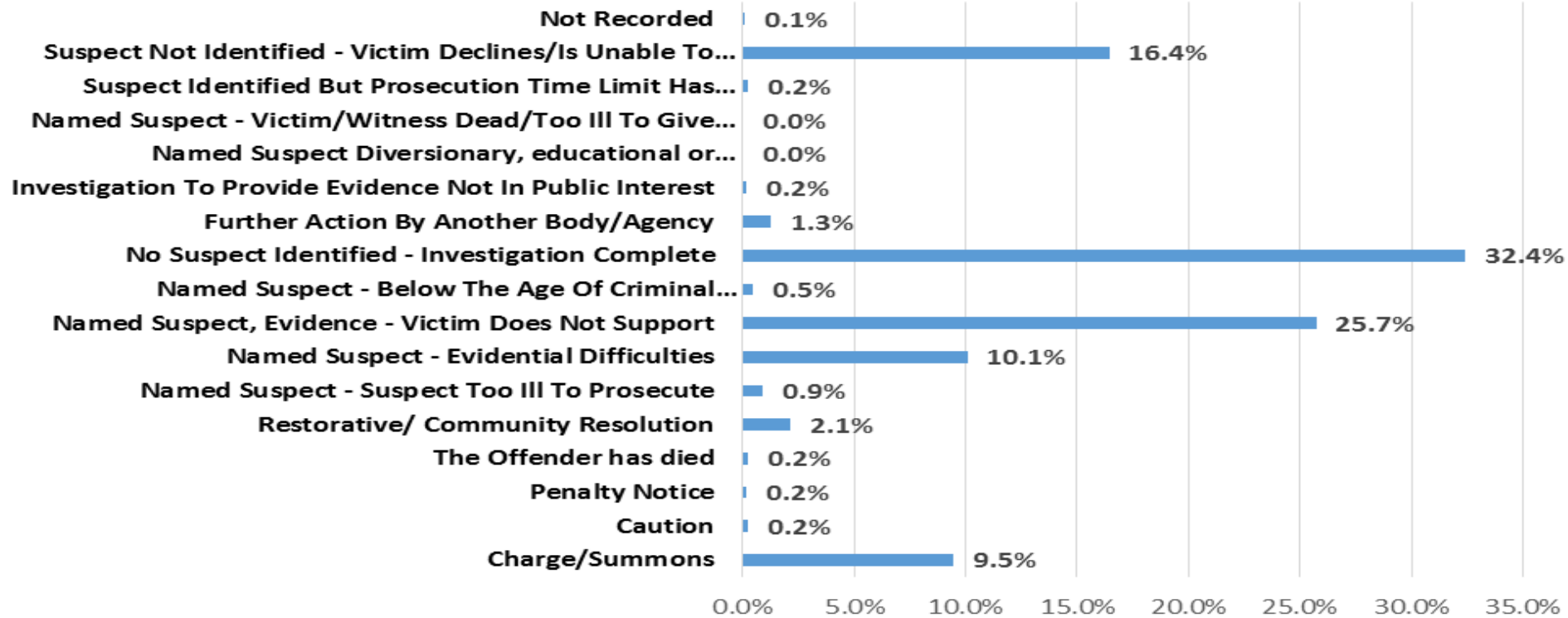
The demographics of the offenders of hate-aggravated offences, by strand.

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Demographic	Racial	Disability	Sexual Orientation	Religion	Transgender
Sex	63% Male	49% Male	68% Male	83% Male	77% Male
Ethnicity	42% White – North European, 41% Unknown, 11% Asian	53% Unknown, 47% White – North European	52% Unknown, 42% White – North European	50% White – North European, 40% Unknown	60% White – North European, 40% Unknown
Average Age	34 years	34 years	29 years	38 years	34 years
Age Range	0-80	10-59	0-81	15-55	15-71

Hate Crime Outcomes 2019

Sheffield Outcomes Recorded on Hate Crimes in Current Period



Reported Hate Crime Yearly Comparison

There were 2602 Hate Crimes and 330 Hate Incidents recorded by South Yorkshire Police during the period Jan 2018 – Dec 18 (total of 2932 during this period overall).

88% (2602) of these were crimes and 12% (330) were recorded non-crimes.

During the same period of Jan 19 – Dec19 recorded Hate Crimes in South Yorkshire was 2727 and 399 Hate Incidents (overall total of 3143).

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These recorded figs show the following:

5% increase in recorded Hate Crimes (142 more recorded)

21% increase in recorded Hate Crime Incidents (69 more reported)

A total increase of 211 incidents in 2019.

This equates to an overall increase of 7%

Where hate was flagged as motivated by religious hatred, the most commonly perceived religion recorded was Muslim. Hate incidents against perceived Christian, Jewish and Other/Unknown religious beliefs were also recorded.

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Stop Hate Data UK 19/20

- Stop Hate UK – Latest Figures 2019/20

During Q2 & of 2019 Stop Hate UK received reports of:

6 Hate Crimes and **15** Non-Crime Hate Incidents.

Out of the 21 reports, **5** referrals were made. 4 of these were to South Yorkshire Police, **1** Housing Association and the other **1** was Victim Support

90% of contact was made via the telephone line, the others via e-mail and the online chat service.

64% of these reports were taken outside of regular, 9-5 office hours. During this period

- South Yorkshire Police

The most common type of hate crime reported to South Yorkshire Police is Racial.

Our Response

- Partnership Work
- Community Safety and Community Cohesion
- Hate Crime Co-ordinator
- Community Co-ordinator
- Prevent



Graffiti



Groups, signs and symbols



Partnership Hate Crime Coordinator Role

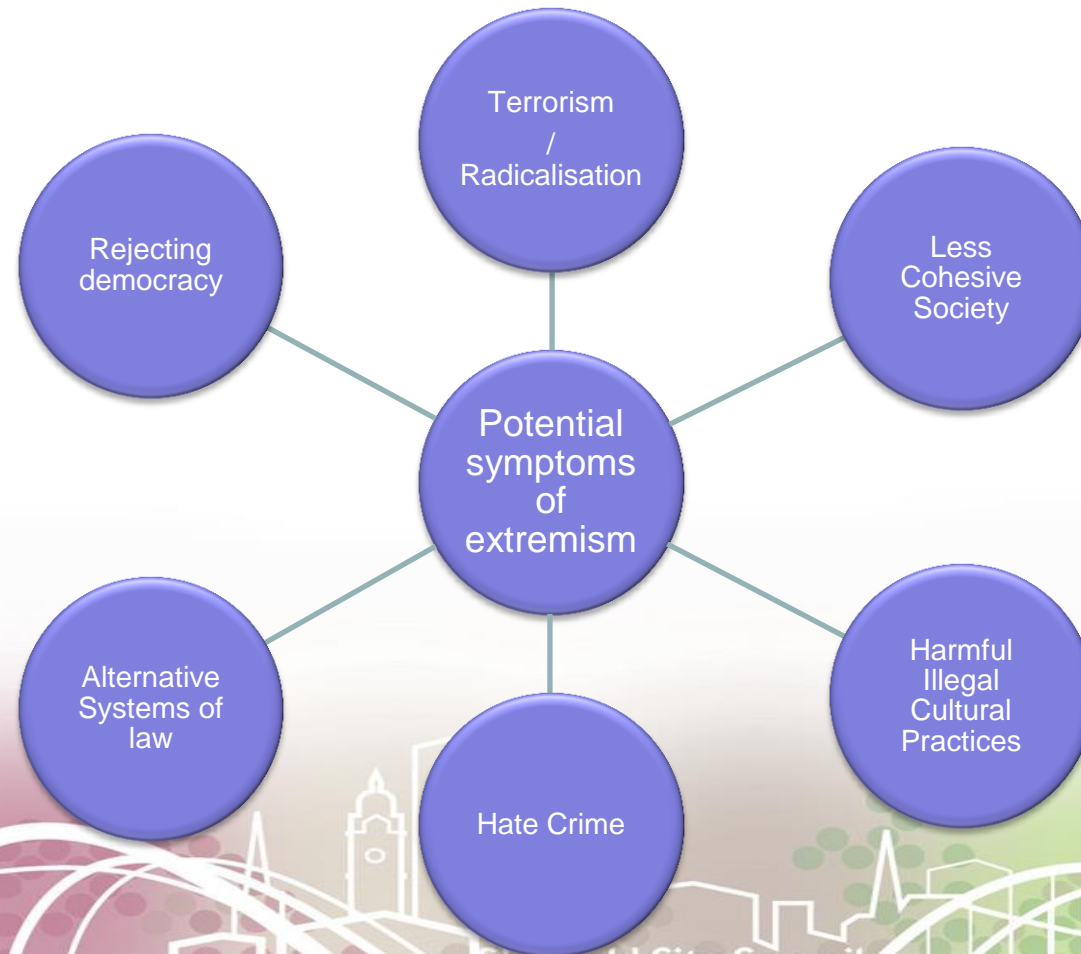
- Raising the awareness of hate crime
 - Overseeing Hate Crime Investigations
 - Making contact with victims – phone calls and letters
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- **SYP** – action plan, daily checks of crime recording systems, overseeing hate crime investigations, contacting and visiting victims, staff training
 - **SCC** – daily checks of call recording systems, disclosure, tenant support information, monitoring of hate crime calls, staff training
 - **Work with Voluntary and Community Faith Sector** – staff training, supporting victims
 - **Engagement and Prevention Work** – engagement events, stalls and displays, social media posts, hate crime priority group

Prevent and Counter Extremism

- Multi-agency approach with statutory and community partners. Work together with partners to avoid duplication
- Identifying issues and concerns and responding with early intervention
- Using intelligence to address issues and prevent escalation



Links with Prevent and Extremism



Main Challenge - Under reporting of hate crime

- The majority of hate crime that is reported to SYP is of a Racial nature – 80%.
- Other identified groups such as Disability, Sexual Orientation and Transgender are more widely unreported.
- We know that hate crime in general is massively under reported.
- Why is this
 - A lack of understanding as to what Hate Crime is.
 - Not knowing how to report it.
 - Not having the confidence to contact an authoritative organisation.
 - Lack of trust in the police.
 - Thinking that nothing will get done about it anyway.
 - Fear of further abuse if the offenders are dealt with.

Key Priorities for the next 12 Months

- **Increased reporting of hate crime**
 - Continue to build confidence
 - Sharing reports with partners
 - Third party reporting centres
 - Review work of Stop Hate UK and telephone line
 - Increased front line staff training
 - Shared IT?
- **Increase Victim Support** – visits to repeat victims of hate crime.
- **Hate Crime Priority Group, Community Safety Partnership**

Any Questions ?



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