



2024 ANTI-JEWISH HATE CRIMES IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY

The number of anti-Jewish hate crimes reported in 2024 decreased 17% from the year before, from 244 to 202. Despite this decline, the 202 anti-Jewish crimes recorded in 2024 represent the second-highest total in the history of this report. According to the *2021 Study of Jewish LA* conducted by Brandeis University, Los Angeles County's Jewish community comprises approximately 7–8% of the County's population. Yet, Jewish individuals accounted for 80% of all religiously motivated hate crime victims, demonstrating a significant overrepresentation.

The most common offenses in anti-Jewish hate crimes were vandalism (41%), followed by intimidation (23%), disorderly conduct (20%), and simple assault (10%). Additional incidents included five cases of aggravated assault, two robberies, two thefts, and single cases each of burglary and trespassing. Overall, 37% of anti-Jewish hate crimes were of a violent nature.

Jewish individuals were most frequently targeted at residences (23%), followed by public places (21%), businesses (20%), and schools (12%). Like the previous year, anti-Jewish hate crimes in schools remained level at 25 incidents, accounting for 12% of all anti-Jewish crimes. Jewish individuals were victims in 19% of all school-related hate crimes.

In 2024, religious hate crimes with evidence of White supremacist ideology decreased 48%, from 71 to 37 incidents, accounting for 14% of all religious hate crimes. Ninety-seven percent of these incidents targeted the Jewish community. Vandalism accounted for 70% of these crimes, most commonly involving graffitied swastikas.

Additionally, Jewish individuals were targeted in 27% of Middle East conflict related hate crimes, the second highest proportion among targeted groups for that type of crime.

ACTUAL 2024 ANTI-JEWISH HATE CRIME IN L.A. COUNTY

January 21, West Hollywood

A White male victim and a White female victim were leaving a gas station when a White male suspect approached their vehicle, shouting “Fuck you Jews!” multiple times. The suspect threw trash at and spat on the car, then pursued the victims’ vehicle on foot as they drove away. The suspect struck the passenger side mirror repeatedly, breaking it, then caught up to the vehicle, opened the rear door, and tried to drag the victim in the backseat out by their legs. The victim that was driving got out of the vehicle and kicked the suspect away. The suspect fled the scene.

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“Jews must die,” and a swastika were graffitied on a wall at a grocery store.

