

# SEATTLE POLICE DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM

TO: Chief Kathleen O'Toole  
Chief of Police- via Chain of Command

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Homicide / Crime Scene Investigations

SUBJECT: Bias Crimes and Bias Incidents Synopsis - (1st Half 2016 dates 01/01/16-06/30/16)

## Overview

During the first half of 2016, **128** criminal and non-criminal bias based incidents were reported to the Seattle Police Department. This compares to **102** bias based incidents reported in the second half of 2015. This reflects a 25.5% increase, city-wide. The category of "crimes with bias elements" rose 44%. "Malicious harassment" cases increased by 11%, and "bias incidents" rose 28%, respectively. Reported anti-gay & lesbian crimes rose 45% from the second half of 2015. Reported incidents were spread fairly evenly across second and third watches. East Precinct had the most incidents, accounting for 30.5% of the total number city wide, followed by North Precinct at 27.3% and West Precinct at 25.8%. South Precinct reported 8.5% of the incidents, followed by Southwest Precinct at 7.8%.

## Incidents

- ✓ 50 were determined to be Malicious Harassment
- ✓ 42 of the incidents were determined to be crimes with bias elements
- ✓ 36 of the incidents were determined to be non-criminal bias incidents

## Arrests

- ✓ 18 total people were arrested in 50 Malicious Harassment crimes:
  - 9 were arrested and/or charged with a felony crime
  - 8 were arrested and/or charged with a misdemeanor offense
  - 5 cases were cleared exceptional- the victim did not want to press charges
  - 3 cases were inactivated or administratively cleared due to solvability or other factors
  - 4 cases remain open

17 people were arrested out of 42 crimes with bias elements

- 3 were arrested and/or charged with a felony crime
- 12 were arrested and/or charged with a misdemeanor offense
- 0 cases were cleared exceptional- victim did not want to press charges
- 1 was resolved by involuntary mental health detention
- 2 cases were inactivated or administratively cleared due to solvability or other factors

**Bias Categories**

The bias events targeted eleven total groups with the two most frequent groups, anti-gay/lesbian and anti-black accounting for 56.6 % of the total bias based incidents.

Bias category	Crimes	Non-Criminal Bias Incidents
Gay & Lesbian	32	7
Transgender	4	5
Black	26	8
Jewish	4	5
Asian/Pacific Islander	4	2
Other Ethnicity (Arab, Somali)	6	2
Islamic	3	1
White	10	3
Hispanic	3	3
Homeless	0	1
Other Religion	2	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>37</b>

\*Three incidents included bias elements in two categories. The total number of discrete incidents was 128. Categories in which no incidents were reported were not included in this table.

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- The category of Anti-Gay and Lesbian represents 30.5% percent of the incidents.
- The category of Anti-Black represents 26.6% of the total reported incidents.
- **23.4%** of the criminal and non-criminal bias incidents occurred during 1<sup>st</sup> watch hours (0400-1200)
- **39.8%** of the criminal and non-criminal bias incidents occurred during 2nd watch hours (1200-2000)
- **36.7%** of the criminal and non-criminal bias incidents occurred during 3<sup>rd</sup> watch hours (2000-0400)

**West Precinct**

<b>Sector</b>	<b>Beat</b>	<b>Malicious Harassment</b>	<b>Crime w/Bias</b>	<b>Bias Incident</b>
<b>David</b>	<b>D1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>
	<b>D2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
	<b>D3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>King</b>	<b>K1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>
	<b>K2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>
	<b>K3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Mary</b>	<b>M1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>
	<b>M2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
	<b>M3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Queen</b>	<b>Q1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
	<b>Q2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
	<b>Q3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Totals</b>		<b>13</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>7</b>

- David Sector represents **26.9%** of the total crimes and **14.3%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the West Pct.
  - 1 Anti-Black **bias incident (non-criminal)**
  - 1 Anti-Black **crime with bias elements**
  - 4 Anti-Black **malicious harassment**
  - 1 Anti-White **crime with bias elements**
  - 1 Anti-Gay/Lesbian **crime with bias elements** (also anti-white)
  - 1 Anti-Gay/Lesbian **malicious harassment** (also anti-black)
  - 1 Anti-Transgender **malicious harassment**

- King Sector represents **42.3%** of the total crimes and **42.9%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the West Pct.
  - 1 Anti-Asian **crime with bias elements**
  - 1 Anti-Asian **malicious harassment**
  - 1 Anti-Black **bias incident (non-criminal)**
  - 1 Anti-Black **crime with bias elements**
  - 1 Anti-Black **malicious harassment** (also Anti-Gay/Lesbian)
  - 1 Anti-Gay/Lesbian **bias incident (non-criminal)** (also Anti-Black)
  - 5 Anti-Gay/Lesbian **crimes with bias elements**
  - 1 Anti-Transgender **bias incident (non-criminal)**
  - 1 Anti-Jewish **bias incident (non-criminal)**
  - 2 Anti-White **malicious harassments**
  
- Mary Sector represents **23.1%** of the total crimes and **42.9%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the West Pct.
  - 1 Anti-Black **bias incident (non-criminal)**
  - 2 Anti-Black **crimes with bias elements**
  - 1 Anti-Transgender **bias incident (non-criminal)**
  - 1 Anti-Gay/Lesbian **crime with bias elements**
  - 2 Anti-Gay/Lesbian **malicious harassments** (1 is also Anti-White)
  - 1 Anti-White **bias incident (non-criminal)**
  - 1 Anti-White **malicious harassment** (1 is also Anti-Gay)
  
- Queen Sector represents **7.7%** of the total crimes and **0%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the West Pct.
  - 1 Anti-Black **crime with bias elements**
  - 1 Anti-Jewish **malicious harassment**

**South Precinct**

<b>Sector</b>	<b>Beat</b>	<b>Malicious Harassment</b>	<b>Crime w/Bias</b>	<b>Bias Incident</b>
<b>Robert</b>	<b>R1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>
	<b>R2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
	<b>R3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Sam</b>	<b>S1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
	<b>S2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
	<b>S3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Ocean</b>	<b>O1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>
	<b>O2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
	<b>O3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Totals</b>		<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>3</b>

- Robert Sector represents **50%** of the total crimes and **33.3%** non-criminal bias incidents in the South Pct.
  - 1 Anti-Other Religion **crime with bias elements** (Christian)
  - 1 Anti-Gay/Lesbian **crime with bias elements**
  - 1 Anti-Jewish **bias incident**
  - 1 Anti-Transgender **crime with bias elements**
  - 1 Anti-White **crime with bias elements**
  
- Sam Sector represents **37.5%** of the crimes and **0%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the South Pct.
  - 1 Anti- Black **malicious harassment**
  - 2 Anti-Gay/Lesbian **malicious harassments**
  
- Ocean Sector represents **12.5%** of the total crimes and **66.7%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the South Pct.
  - 1 Anti-Gay/Lesbian **bias incident**
  - 1 Anti-White **bias incident**
  - 1 Anti-Hispanic **crime with bias elements**

**East Precinct**

<b>Sector</b>	<b>Beat</b>	<b>Malicious Harassment</b>	<b>Crime w/Bias</b>	<b>Bias Incident</b>
<b>Edward</b>	<b>E1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>
	<b>E2</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>5</b>
	<b>E3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Charlie</b>	<b>C1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
	<b>C2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
	<b>C3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>George</b>	<b>G1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
	<b>G2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>
	<b>G3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Totals</b>		<b>16</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>13</b>

- Edward Sector represents **80.8%** of the total crimes and **53.9%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the East Pct.
  - 1 Anti-Asian **crime with bias elements**
  - 3 Anti-Black **bias incidents (non-criminal)**
  - 4 Anti-Black **crimes with bias elements**
  - 3 Anti-Black **malicious harassments**
  - 1 Anti-Religion **malicious harassment** (Catholic)
  - 3 Anti-Gay/Lesbian **bias incidents (non-criminal)**
  - 4 Anti-Gay/Lesbian **crimes with bias elements**
  - 5 Anti-Gay/Lesbian **malicious harassments**
  - 1 Anti-Multiracial **malicious harassment**
  - 1 Anti-White **bias incidents (non-criminal)**
  - 1 Anti-White **malicious harassment**
  - 1 Anti-Transgender **malicious harassment**
  
- Charlie Sector represents **3.9%** of the total crimes and **30.8%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the East Pct.
  - 1 Anti-Black **bias incident (non-criminal)**
  - 1 Anti-Jewish **bias incident (non-criminal)**
  - 1 Anti-Asian **bias incident (non-criminal)**
  - 1 Anti-Hispanic **bias incident (non-criminal)**
  - 1 Anti-Gay/Lesbian **malicious harassment**

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- George Sector represents **15.4%** of the total crimes and **15.4%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the East Pct.
  - 1 Anti-Black **bias incident (non-criminal)**
  - 1 Anti-Black **malicious harassment**
  - 1 Anti-Hispanic **crime with bias elements**
  - 1 Anti-Gay/Lesbian **bias incident (non-criminal)**
  - 2 Anti-Gay/Lesbian **malicious harassments**



**North Precinct**

<b>Sector</b>	<b>Beat</b>	<b>Malicious Harassment</b>	<b>Crime w/Bias</b>	<b>Bias Incident</b>
<b>Nora</b>	<b>N1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
	<b>N2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>
	<b>N3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Boy</b>	<b>B1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
	<b>B2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
	<b>B3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Lincoln</b>	<b>L1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>
	<b>L2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
	<b>L3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Union</b>	<b>U1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>
	<b>U2</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>
	<b>U3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>John</b>	<b>J1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
	<b>J2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
	<b>J3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Totals</b>		<b>14</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>

- Nora Sector represents **29.2%** of the total crimes and **0%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the North Pct.
  - 1 Anti-Arab **crime with bias element**
  - 1 Anti-Black **crime with bias element**
  - 2 Anti-Black **malicious harassments**
  - 1 Anti-Gay/Lesbian **malicious harassment**
  - 1 Anti-Islamic **malicious harassment**
  - 1 Anti-Jewish **crime with bias element**

- Boy Sector represents **25%** of the total crimes and **18.2%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the North Pct.
  - 1 Anti-Black **malicious harassment**
  - 1 Anti-Arab **bias incident (non-criminal)**
  - 1 Anti-Arab **crime with bias elements**
  - 1 Anti-Arab **malicious harassment**
  - 2 Anti- Gay/Lesbian **crimes with bias elements**
  - 1 Anti-Hispanic **bias incident (non-criminal)**
  - 1 Anti-Sikh **crime with bias elements**
  
- Lincoln Sector represents **20.8%** of the total crimes and **18.2%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the North Pct.
  - 1 Anti-Asian **bias incident (non-criminal)**
  - 1 Anti-Black **malicious harassment**
  - 1 Anti-Ethnicity **malicious harassment**
  - 1 Anti-Gay/Lesbian **crime with bias elements**
  - 1 Anti-Islamic **malicious harassment**
  - 1 Anti-Islamic **bias incident (non-criminal)**
  - 1 Anti-White **crime with bias elements**
  
- Union Sector represents **20.8%** of the total crimes and **63.6%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the North Pct.
  - 3 Anti-Transgender **bias incidents (non-criminal)**
  - 1 Anti-Transgender **malicious harassment**
  - 2 Anti-Jewish **bias incidents (non-criminal)**
  - 1 Anti-Jewish **malicious harassment**
  - 1 Anti-Homeless **bias incident (non-criminal)**
  - 1 Anti-Hispanic **bias incident (non-criminal)**
  - 1 Anti-Asian **malicious harassment**
  - 1 Anti-Gay/Lesbian **malicious harassment**
  - 1 Anti-White **malicious harassment**
  
- John Sector represents **0%** of the total crimes and **0%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the North Pct.

**Southwest Precinct**

<b>Sector</b>	<b>Beat</b>	<b>Malicious Harassment</b>	<b>Crime w/Bias</b>	<b>Bias Incident</b>
<b>Frank</b>	<b>F1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>
	<b>F2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
	<b>F3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>William</b>	<b>W1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>
	<b>W2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
	<b>W3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Totals</b>		<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>

- Frank Sector represents **77.8%** of the total crimes and **100%** of the bias incidents in the Southwest Pct.
  - 1 Anti-Black **malicious harassment**
  - 1 Anti-Gay/Lesbian **malicious harassment**
  - 1 Anti-Arab **bias incident (non-criminal)**
  - 1 Anti-Hispanic **crime with bias elements**
  - 1 Anti-Islamic **crime with bias elements**
  - 1 Anti-Native American **malicious harassment**
  - 2 Anti-White **crimes with bias elements**
  
- William Sector **22.2%** of the total crimes and 0% of the bias incidents in the Southwest Pct.
  - 1 Anti-Gay/Lesbian **crime with bias elements**
  - 1 Anti-Jewish **malicious harassment**

NOTE: One incident was reported by a complainant in Kent, WA regarding a subject in Tacoma, WA who made statements indicating he might pose a threat at the Pride events in Seattle. The report was taken by an East Precinct officer. This incident is not included in the beat totals, which number 127 due to this anomalous incident.