

# SEATTLE POLICE DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM

TO: Chief Carmen Best  
Chief of Police- via Chain of Command

DATE: February 20, 2018

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SUBJECT: Bias Crimes and Bias Incidents Synopsis - (2nd Half 2017 dates 07/01/17-12/31/17)

## Overview

During the second half of 2017, a total of **240** criminal and non-criminal bias based incidents were reported to the Seattle Police Department. This compares to **128** bias based incidents reported in the second half of 2016. This reflects an 88% increase of bias based incidents, city-wide.

**Malicious harassment** cases increased by **33%**, the category of **crimes with bias elements** rose **111%**, and **non-criminal bias incidents** rose **112%**, respectively from the same period of time in 2016.

Reported **anti-LGBTQ** malicious harassment cases numbered 25 during the first half of 2017, and decreased to 20 during the second half of 2017.

Reported **anti-Black** malicious harassment cases numbered 10 during the second half of 2016, and increased to 15 during the second half of 2017. Reported anti-Black crimes with bias elements increased from 17 reported incidents during the second half of 2016 to 25 during the second half of 2017.

The majority of reported incidents occurred during **second watch hours (116)**, followed by **third watch at 63** and **first watch at 62**.

**West Precinct** had the most incidents, accounting for 30% of the total number city wide, followed by **North Precinct** at 28% and **East Precinct** at 22%. **South Precinct** reported 10% of the incidents, followed by **Southwest Precinct** at 10%. 2% of cases occurred at an unknown Seattle location, or outside of the city.

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### Incidents

- ✓ 52 were determined to be Malicious Harassment
- ✓ 99 of the incidents were determined to be crimes with bias elements
- ✓ 89 of the incidents were determined to be non-criminal bias incidents

### Arrests

- ✓ 19 total cases resulted in an arrest in 52 Malicious Harassment crimes:
  - 14 were arrested and/or charged with a felony crime
  - 6 were arrested and/or charged with a misdemeanor offense
  - 0 cases were cleared exceptional- the victim did not want to press charges
  - 29 cases were inactivated or administratively cleared due to solvability or other factors
  - 3 cases remain open and under investigation

21 total cases resulted in an arrest out of 99 crimes with bias elements

- 4 were arrested and/or charged with a felony crime
- 21 were arrested and/or charged with a misdemeanor offense
- 72 cases were inactivated or administratively cleared due to solvability or other factors
- 2 cases remain open. 1 case remains open with a known suspect in warrant status, and the other has a good lead.

### Bias Categories

The bias-based events targeted eighteen total groups with the two most frequent groups, anti-black and anti-gay/lesbian accounting for 50% of the total bias based incidents.

Bias category	Malicious Harassment	Crimes with Bias Elements	Non-Criminal Bias Incidents
Black	15	25	29
Gay & Lesbian	14	21	15
White	2	15	7
Jewish	0	8	8
Asian/Pacific Islander	3	5	7
Race/Ethnicity/Ancestry	3	7	4
Transgender	5	3	4
Islamic (Muslim)	3	4	5
Hispanic	4	3	3
Multi-Racial Group	0	2	3
Political Ideology	1	1	1
Other Religion	1	1	1
Arab	0	1	1
Homeless	0	1	0
Gender Non-Conforming	1	0	0
Other Christian	0	1	0
Hindu	0	1	0
Physical Disability	0	0	1
<b>Totals</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>89</b>

Categories in which no incidents were reported were not included in this table.

- The category of Anti-Black represents 29% of the total reported incidents.
- The aggregated categories of Anti-Gay and Lesbian, Transgender, and Gender Non-Conforming represent 26% percent of the incidents.
- **26%** of the criminal and non-criminal bias incidents occurred during 1<sup>st</sup> watch hours (0300-1159)
- **48%** of the criminal and non-criminal bias incidents occurred during 2nd watch hours (1200-1959)
- **26%** of the criminal and non-criminal bias incidents occurred during 3<sup>rd</sup> watch hours (2000-0259)

**West Precinct**

<b>Sector</b>	<b>Beat</b>	<b>Malicious Harassment</b>	<b>Crime w/Bias Elements</b>	<b>Bias Incident</b>
<b>David</b>	<b>D1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>
	<b>D2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>
	<b>D3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>King</b>	<b>K1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>
	<b>K2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>
	<b>K3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Mary</b>	<b>M1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>
	<b>M2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>
	<b>M3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Queen</b>	<b>Q1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>
	<b>Q2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>
	<b>Q3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Totals</b>		<b>17</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>22</b>

- David Sector represents **24%** of the total crimes and **23%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the West Precinct.
- King Sector represents **39%** of the total crimes and **45%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the West Precinct.
- Mary Sector represents **24%** of the total crimes and **23%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the West Precinct.
- Queen Sector represents **12%** of the total crimes and **9%** of the non-criminal bias incidents in the West Precinct.

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### South Precinct

<b>Sector</b>	<b>Beat</b>	<b>Malicious Harassment</b>	<b>Crime w/Bias Elements</b>	<b>Bias Incident</b>
<b>Robert</b>	<b>R1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
	<b>R2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>
	<b>R3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Sam</b>	<b>S1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
	<b>S2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>
	<b>S3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Ocean</b>	<b>O1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
	<b>O2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
	<b>O3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Totals</b>		<b>7</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>8</b>

- Robert Sector represents 50% of the total crimes and 50% non-criminal bias incidents in the South Precinct.
- Sam Sector represents 25% of the crimes and 25% of the non-criminal bias incidents in the South Precinct.
- Ocean Sector represents 25% of the total crimes and 25% of the non-criminal bias incidents in the South Precinct.

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**East Precinct**

<b>Sector</b>	<b>Beat</b>	<b>Malicious Harassment</b>	<b>Crime w/Bias Elements</b>	<b>Bias Incident</b>
<b>Edward</b>	<b>E1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>
	<b>E2</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>6</b>
	<b>E3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Charlie</b>	<b>C1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>
	<b>C2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>
	<b>C3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>George</b>	<b>G1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
	<b>G2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
	<b>G3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Totals</b>		<b>14</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>

- Edward Sector represents 58% of the total crimes and 40% of the non-criminal bias incidents in the East Precinct.
- Charlie Sector represents 21 % of the total crimes and 45% of the non-criminal bias incidents in the East Precinct.
- George Sector represents 21% of the total crimes and 15% of the non-criminal bias incidents in the East Precinct.

**North Precinct**

<b>Sector</b>	<b>Beat</b>	<b>Malicious Harassment</b>	<b>Crime w/Bias Elements</b>	<b>Bias Incident</b>
<b>Nora</b>	<b>N1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>
	<b>N2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>5</b>
	<b>N3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Boy</b>	<b>B1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>
	<b>B2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>
	<b>B3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Lincoln</b>	<b>L1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
	<b>L2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>
	<b>L3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Union</b>	<b>U1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>
	<b>U2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>0</b>
	<b>U3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>John</b>	<b>J1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>
	<b>J2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>
	<b>J3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Totals</b>		<b>9</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>23</b>

- Nora Sector represents 30% of the total crimes and 48% of the non-criminal bias incidents in the North Precinct.
- Boy Sector represents 14% of the total crimes and 17% of the non-criminal bias incidents in the North Precinct.
- Lincoln Sector represents 9% of the total crimes and 0% of the non-criminal bias incidents in the North Precinct.
- Union Sector represents 27% of the total crimes and 17% of the non-criminal bias incidents in the North Precinct.
- John Sector represents 20% of the total crimes and 17% of the non-criminal bias incidents in the North Precinct.

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### Southwest Precinct

Sector	Beat	Malicious Harassment	Crime w/Bias Elements	Bias Incident
<b>Frank</b>	<b>F1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>5</b>
	<b>F2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
	<b>F3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>William</b>	<b>W1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
	<b>W2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>
	<b>W3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Totals</b>		<b>5</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>14</b>

- Frank Sector represents **75%** of the total crimes and **64%** of the bias incidents in the Southwest Precinct.
- William Sector represents **25%** of the total crimes and **36%** of the bias incidents in the Southwest Precinct.