

ANTI-DEFAMATION LEAGUE AUDIT OF ANTISEMITIC INCIDENTS: 2019

More information can be found here
<https://www.adl.org/audit2019>



ADL recorded **2,107** antisemitic incidents in the US, the highest number since ADL established the Audit in 1979.



*The total number of antisemitic incidents in 2019 increased **12%** over the previous year, with a disturbing **56%** increase in assaults.

*There were, on average, as many as **6** antisemitic incidents in the U.S. for each day of the calendar year.



*There were **1,127** harassment incidents. These were cases where one or more Jews reported feeling harassed by antisemitic language or actions. Acts of harassment increased by **6%** over 2018.



*There were **919** vandalism incidents. These were cases where property was damaged in a manner which harmed or intimidated Jews.

*Swastikas were present in **746** of these incidents.

*Acts of antisemitic vandalism increased **19%** from 2018.



*There were **61** assault incidents. These were cases where individuals were physically targeted with violence accompanied by evidence of antisemitic animus.

*Antisemitic assault increased **56%** from **39** in 2018. Eleven of the 61 assaults were perpetrated with deadly weapons such as guns or knives.

*The **61** assault incidents harmed **95** victims, including **5** fatalities.



*There were incidents reported in **every state, except Alaska and Hawaii.**

*The states with the **highest numbers** of incidents were:

New York	430
New Jersey	345
California	330
Massachusetts	114
Pennsylvania	109

*These states accounted for nearly **45%** of the total number of incidents.



ALARMING TRENDS

***5** fatalities at the hands of antisemitic extremists

*An **increase in physical assaults**, more than half of which took place in New York City

*A wave of antisemitic flyering campaigns and other activities by known extremist groups

*A significant increase in the number of incidents at K-12 schools



THERE WERE **3** MAJOR ATTACKS ON THE JEWISH COMMUNITY IN 2019:

*A white supremacist opened fire at the Chabad of Poway, California on April 27th killing **1**.

*Two individuals, at least one of whom was associated with an antisemitic Black Hebrew Israelite sect, attacked a Jewish grocery store in Jersey City, NJ on December 10th. **3** people were killed.

*An individual attacked a Hanukkah party at the home of a rabbi in Monsey, NY, with a knife, resulting in **4** injuries and **1** fatality.

The assailant was charged with a federal hate crime but has since been declared unfit to stand trial and was ordered committed to a psychiatric facility for continued evaluation. State charges are still pending.



***270** of the antisemitic incidents that occurred in 2019 were attributed to known extremist groups or individuals inspired by extremist ideology.

*This represents **13%** of the total number of incidents.



K-12 schools, as well as colleges and universities, continue to experience a significant number of antisemitic incidents.

***411** incidents occurred at non-Jewish K-12 schools (up **19%** from the previous year).

*There were **186** incidents at colleges and universities (down **10%** from 2018).



*There were **234** reported incidents at Jewish institutions such as synagogues, Jewish community centers and Jewish schools, a decrease of **12%** from 2018.

***171** were incidents of harassment and **60** were incidents of vandalism. There were **3** incidents of physical assault.

***50** of these incidents were perpetrated by extremists.



***171** antisemitic incidents in 2019 involved references to Israel or Zionism.

***68** of these took the form of white supremacist groups' propaganda.

*Most of the remaining incidents were expressions of anti-Israel animus.

