California vs Hate’s data represents all acts of hate reported to the hotline; this includes hate crimes and hate incidents. A hate crime is a legal definition, referring to criminal acts committed, in whole or in part, because of one or more actual or perceived protected characteristics. A hate incident is a more expansive definition, including acts that may not be criminal in nature, but are motivated by bias against another person’s actual or perceived identity(ies), characteristics, and/or because that person is a part of a protected group. While reports to CA vs Hate serve as an important indicator, the data should not be treated as being representative of all acts of hate in California.

For a subset of 560 reports where data were further validated by CA vs Hate staff, the most cited bias motivations included: race and ethnicity (35.1%), gender identity (15.1%), and sexual orientation (10.8%).
Hundreds of people to 112 different types of service organizations.

The most common reasons cited for the reports were discriminatory treatment (18.4%), verbal harassment (16.7%), and derogatory names or slurs (16.7%).

The most common location types for where an incident occurred were residential (29.9%), workplace (9.7%), and public facilities (9.1%).

Received 1,020 actual reports of hate based on the information provided by the individual reporting the act. Of those reports:

- Roughly four out of six people agreed to follow up for care coordination services, including direct and ongoing support accessing legal aid or counseling.

- Nearly 80% of California’s counties were represented, including all 10 of the state’s most populated counties.

California vs Hate is a non-emergency hate incident and hate crime reporting system to support individuals and communities targeted for hate. We are committed to making California a more safe and inclusive place for all.

In partnership with organizations across the state, we are committed to supporting and protecting diverse communities.

Any victim of or witness to a hate incident or crime in California can report it and receive support at any time www.cavshate.org. You can also call 833-8-NO-HATE; (833) 866-4283 Monday - Friday from 9:00 am – 6:00 pm. If outside of those hours, you can leave a voicemail, or you can call 211 to report hate and seek support.