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2022 Summary

600 reports were received from the public in 2022

- 223 of these reports were about racist criminal offences, including assault, threats, harassment and criminal damage.
- 190 reports were about illegal racist discrimination.
- 136 reports were about hate speech in the media or online, or by public figures.
- 16 reports of racist graffiti.

Only one in five crimes (20%) were reported to the police in 2022, a lower percentage than 2021.

The number of assaults remained as high in 2022 as in previous years. Most assaults were by strangers.

There were 114 reports of repeat harassment, over weeks, months or years. This was usually in the neighborhood where someone lives, but also in work and school. This was a notable increase from 2021.

Sixty-nine reports were about racism at work or in applying for work. More than half of incidents were by customers or other non-employees.

One-hundred and eleven reports were about people being refused access to public transport, shops, hotels, gyms and other services. Thirteen reports were about discrimination in accommodation. It is illegal to refuse access to goods or services, including accommodation, on the grounds of race.

Staff in public service organisations, including police, education, social welfare and local government, were responsible for 17% of reported racist discrimination. Public service organisations are obliged to comply with the Public Sector Equality and Human Rights Duty 2014, and should not discriminate against people on the grounds of race.

Racist language was observed in 16% of all incidents, and in 51% of crimes.

Racist incidents had a reported psychological impact on the people involved in 90% of reports. In 8% of reports, there were physical injuries.

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