## NYC Hate Crimes Visualization

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# 1 NYC Hate Crimes Analysis (2023)

## 1.1 Project Overview: NYC Hate Crimes Analysis

**Objective:** Identify which demographic groups (race, religion, sexual orientation, etc.) have been most frequently targeted in hate crimes across New York City.

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## Scope:

- Population: Residents of NYC
- Discipline: Criminology, Data Analysis
- Geographic Focus: New York City
- Time Frame: October 2020 February 2023
- Data Requirements: Dataset containing at least 1,000 reported hate crimes with demographic details

**Data Sources:** The analysis uses publicly available data from NYC Open Data and official police department records.

## 1.2 Data Set Description

Name: NYPD Hate Crimes Source & Access: NYPD Hate Crimes Dataset on NYC Open Data

#### **Details:**

- Author / Creator: New York Police Department (NYPD)
- Publication Date: Originally published October 29, 2020; latest update February 1, 2023
- Publisher: NYC Open Data
- Data Accessed: February 14, 2023
- Format: csv
   Size: 334 KB
- Number of Records: 1,971
- License: [To be confirmed]

**Usage:** This dataset is suitable for analyzing hate crime trends in NYC over the specified period. It provides detailed incident reports, including victim demographics, making it appropriate for criminology and social justice research.

### 1.3 Format

• Format: csv

• Size: 334 KB

• Number of Records: 1971

## 1.4 Data Extraction and Transformation

## 1.4.1 Columns Used

The analysis focuses on key columns from the dataset, including but not limited to:

- Bias Motivation: To identify hate crimes targeting specific demographic groups (race, religion, sexual orientation, etc.)
- Occurrence Year: To analyze trends over time
- Additional relevant metadata columns for context and filtering

## 1.4.2 Data Types and Conversion

Most columns contain textual data and will be handled as Python strings (str type). For the Occurrence Year, values will be converted and stored as integers to facilitate chronological analysis.

## 1.4.3 Data Cleaning and Normalization

- The dataset is already in a consistent format for textual columns, so minimal cleaning is needed for those fields.
- Missing values will be checked; if any are found in critical columns (e.g., Bias Motivation), appropriate handling strategies such as filtering or imputation will be applied.
- Normalization steps may include standardizing category labels within the Bias Motivation column to ensure uniform grouping.

#### 1.4.4 Additional Processing

To identify the year with the highest number of hate crimes against minority groups, the **Occurrence Year** field will be extracted and aggregated accordingly.

#### 1.4.5 Sample of Data

```
[13]: # TODO show a few lines of data from the actual file

with open('../data/NYPD_Hate_Crimes.csv', 'r') as file:
    header = file.readline()
    print(header.strip())

for i in range(5):
    line = file.readline()
    print(line.strip())
```

Full Complaint ID, Complaint Year Number, Month Number, Record Create
Date, Complaint Precinct Code, Patrol Borough Name, County, Law Code Category
Description, Offense Description, PD Code Description, Bias Motive
Description, Offense Category, Arrest Date, Arrest Id
201904812231317, 2019, 3,03/10/2019, 48, PATROL BORO BRONX, BRONX, MISDEMEANOR, ASSAULT

3 & RELATED OFFENSES, ASSAULT 3, ANTI-WHITE, Race/Color, 03/09/2019, B31682806 202004412397317, 2020, 3, 03/28/2020, 44, PATROL BORO BRONX, BRONX, FELONY, FELONY ASSAULT, "ASSAULT 2,1, UNCLASSIFIED", ANTI-ASIAN, Race/Color, 03/28/2020, B32682490 202004412397317, 2020, 3, 03/28/2020, 44, PATROL BORO BRONX, BRONX, FELONY, FELONY ASSAULT, "ASSAULT 2,1, UNCLASSIFIED", ANTI-ASIAN, Race/Color, 03/28/2020, B32682492 202004512477317, 2020, 7, 07/18/2020, 45, PATROL BORO BRONX, BRONX, MISDEMEANOR, OFF. AGNST PUB ORD SENSBLTY &, AGGRAVATED HARASSMENT 2, ANTI-BLACK, Race/Color, 11/10/2020, B32701468 202105012236217, 2021, 4, 04/25/2021, 50, PATROL BORO BRONX, BRONX, FELONY, CRIMINAL MISCHIEF & RELATED OF, "MISCHIEF, CRIMINAL, UNCL 2ND", ANTI-JEWISH, Religion/Religious Practice, 05/01/2021, B33683686

```
[14]: import csv
      with open('.../data/NYPD_Hate_Crimes.csv') as file:
          reader = csv.reader(file)
          header = next(reader)
          field_info = []
          for field in header:
              potential_types = set()
              for i in range(5):
                  row = next(reader)
                  value = row[header.index(field)]
                  value_type = type(value).__name__
                  potential_types.add(value_type)
              if 'float' in potential_types:
                  field_type = float
              elif 'int' in potential_types:
                  field_type = int
              elif 'str' in potential_types:
                  field_type = str
              field_info.append((field, field_type))
          for field, field type in field info:
              print(f"Field/Column {header.index(field) + 1}: {field} ({field_type.
       → name })")
```

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Field/Column 1: Full Complaint ID (str)
Field/Column 2: Complaint Year Number (str)
Field/Column 3: Month Number (str)
Field/Column 4: Record Create Date (str)
Field/Column 5: Complaint Precinct Code (str)
Field/Column 6: Patrol Borough Name (str)
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Field/Column 8: Law Code Category Description (str)
     Field/Column 9: Offense Description (str)
     Field/Column 10: PD Code Description (str)
     Field/Column 11: Bias Motive Description (str)
     Field/Column 12: Offense Category (str)
     Field/Column 13: Arrest Date (str)
     Field/Column 14: Arrest Id (str)
[15]: import csv
      filename = '../data/NYPD_Hate_Crimes.csv'
      bias counts = {}
      year_borough_counts = {}
      with open(filename, 'r') as file:
          reader = csv.DictReader(file)
          for row in reader:
              bias_motivation = row['Bias Motive Description']
              if bias_motivation in bias_counts:
                  bias_counts[bias_motivation] += 1
              else:
                  bias_counts[bias_motivation] = 1
      \max count = 0
      max_bias_motivation = ''
      for bias_motivation, count in bias_counts.items():
          if count > max_count:
              max_count = count
              max_bias_motivation = bias_motivation
      max_year = ''
      max_borough = ''
      max_count_by_year_borough = 0
      with open(filename, 'r') as file:
          reader = csv.DictReader(file)
          for row in reader:
              if row['Bias Motive Description'] == max_bias_motivation:
                  year = row['Complaint Year Number']
                  borough = row['Patrol Borough Name']
                  count = 1
                  if (year, borough) in year_borough_counts:
                      count += year_borough_counts[(year, borough)]
                  year_borough_counts[(year, borough)] = count
                  if count > max_count_by_year_borough:
                      max_count_by_year_borough = count
```

Field/Column 7: County (str)

```
max_year = year

max_borough = borough

print(f'The demographic of people with the most hate crimes in NYC are

{max_bias_motivation} with a count of {max_count}')

print(f'The year and patrol borough with the highest count of

{max_bias_motivation} crimes in {max_borough} is {max_year} with a count of

{max_count_by_year_borough}')
```

The demographic of people with the most hate crimes in NYC are ANTI-JEWISH with a count of 866

The year and patrol borough with the highest count of ANTI-JEWISH crimes in PATROL BORO BKLYN SOUTH is 2019 with a count of 71

## 1.5 Descriptive Statistics

## 1.5.1 Analysis on Numeric Data

## Central Tendency

```
[16]: import numpy as np
      import csv
      import statistics as stats
      filename = '../data/NYPD_Hate_Crimes.csv'
      with open(filename, 'r') as file:
          reader = csv.DictReader(file)
          years = []
          for row in reader:
              year = int(row['Complaint Year Number'])
              years.append(year)
      num_records = len(years)
      minimum = np.min(years)
      maximum = np.max(years)
      mean = np.mean(years)
      median = np.median(years)
      mode = float(np.nan)
      if len(years) > 0:
          mode = float(np.array(stats.mode(years)))
      variance = np.var(years)
      print(f'Mean: {mean}')
```

Mean: 2020.7397260273972

## Dispersion

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[17]: # TODO: copy and paste your results here
      print(f'Variance: {variance}')
     Variance: 1.3208926697386072
     Outliers
[18]: # TODO: copy and paste your results here
      print(f'Minimum: {minimum}')
      print(f'Maximum: {maximum}')
     Minimum: 2019
     Maximum: 2022
     Other
[19]: # TODO: copy and paste your results here
      print(f'Number of records: {num_records}')
      print(f'Median: {median}')
      print(f'Mode: {mode}')
     Number of records: 1971
     Median: 2021.0
     Mode: 2022.0
```

## 1.5.2 Analysis on Categorical Data

## Frequency

```
[20]: # TODO: copy and paste your results here
import csv

with open('../data/NYPD_Hate_Crimes.csv', newline='') as csvfile:
    reader = csv.reader(csvfile)

    next(reader)

bias_counts = {}

for row in reader:
    bias = row[10]

if bias in bias_counts:
    bias_counts[bias] += 1
    else:
        bias_counts[bias] = 1

for bias, count in bias_counts.items():
    print(f'{bias}: {count}')
```

ANTI-WHITE: 71 ANTI-ASIAN: 275 ANTI-BLACK: 169 ANTI-JEWISH: 866 ANTI-MALE HOMOSEXUAL (GAY): 241

ANTI-FEMALE HOMOSEXUAL (LESBIAN): 29

ANTI-TRANSGENDER: 51 ANTI-FEMALE: 14

ANTI-OTHER ETHNICITY: 76

ANTI-MUSLIM: 52 ANTI-ARAB: 7

ANTI-CATHOLIC: 36 ANTI-HISPANIC: 36

ANTI-GENDER NON-CONFORMING: 6 ANTI-EASTERN ORTHODOX: 2 ANTI-LGBT (MIXED GROUP): 11 ANTI-OTHER RELIGION: 5 60 YRS AND OLDER: 1

ANTI-HINDU: 6

ANTI-JEHOVAHS WITNESS: 2 ANTI-PHYSICAL DISABILITY: 1

ANTI-SIKH: 4

ANTI-MULTI-RACIAL GROUPS: 3

ANTI-RELIGIOUS PRACTICE GENERALLY: 3

ANTI-BUDDHIST: 3 ANTI-PROTESTANT: 1

## Unique Values

```
[21]: # TODO: copy and paste your results here
      for bias, count in bias_counts.items():
          print(f'{bias}')
```

ANTI-WHITE

ANTI-ASIAN

ANTI-BLACK

ANTI-JEWISH

ANTI-FEMALE HOMOSEXUAL (LESBIAN)

ANTI-MALE HOMOSEXUAL (GAY)

ANTI-TRANSGENDER

ANTI-FEMALE

ANTI-OTHER ETHNICITY

ANTI-MUSLIM

ANTI-ARAB

ANTI-CATHOLIC

ANTI-HISPANIC

ANTI-GENDER NON-CONFORMING

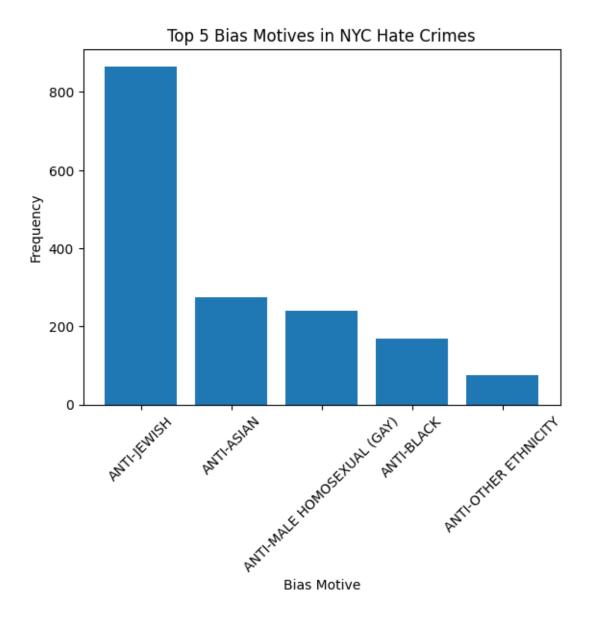
ANTI-EASTERN ORTHODOX

ANTI-LGBT (MIXED GROUP)

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ANTI-OTHER RELIGION
60 YRS AND OLDER
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ANTI-PHYSICAL DISABILITY
ANTI-SIKH
ANTI-MULTI-RACIAL GROUPS
ANTI-RELIGIOUS PRACTICE GENERALLY
ANTI-BUDDHIST
ANTI-PROTESTANT
```

#### 1.6 Visualizations

```
[23]: import csv
      import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
      with open('.../data/NYPD_Hate_Crimes.csv', newline='', encoding='utf-8') as file:
          reader = csv.reader(file)
          next(reader)
          bias counts = {}
          for row in reader:
              bias_motive = row[10]
              if bias_motive not in bias_counts:
                  bias_counts[bias_motive] = 1
              else:
                  bias_counts[bias_motive] += 1
      top5_bias = sorted(bias_counts.items(), key=lambda x: x[1], reverse=True)[:5]
      bias_labels = [bias[0] for bias in top5_bias]
      bias_freqs = [bias[1] for bias in top5_bias]
      plt.bar(bias labels, bias freqs)
      plt.title('Top 5 Bias Motives in NYC Hate Crimes')
      plt.xlabel('Bias Motive')
      plt.ylabel('Frequency')
      plt.xticks(rotation=45)
      plt.show()
```



The most discriminated against group in NYC are Jews, coming in at second and third are Asians and Homosexual Men in terms of hate crimes perpretrated against them as a bias

## 1.7 Part 6 - Conclusion

The conclusion of this data analysis is that the highest amount of hate crimes in NYC was committed against Jewish people, and that the borough it occured most in was Brooklyn in the year 2019

# 1.8 Bonus - Correlation Between Height and Weight (related to another dataset)

- 1. WEIGHTLBTC\_A Weight without shoes (pounds), public use HEIGHTTC\_A Total height in inches, public use
- 2. missing data is simply an empty string, no whitespace

```
[24]: import csv
      import numpy as np
      import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
      with open('.../data/adult19.csv', newline='') as csvfile:
          reader = csv.DictReader(csvfile)
          height = []
          weight = []
          for row in reader:
              height.append(float(row['HEIGHTTC_A']))
              weight.append(float(row['WEIGHTLBTC_A']))
          corrcoef = np.corrcoef(height, weight)[0,1]
          print(f"Correlation coefficient: {corrcoef}")
          plt.scatter(height, weight, alpha=0.01, s=2)
          plt.xlabel('Height')
          plt.ylabel('Weight')
          plt.show()
```

Correlation coefficient: 0.7604621859407162

