

More reasons for Police Misreporting

Clerical Errors

Police officers often input incorrect classification codes in their Databases, such as incorrectly marking 'anti-gay' hate crimes as 'anti-hetreosexual'.

Lack of Training

Former NYPD officer Bryan Levin notes that **most cops are not trained to look at motive**, the quality that distinguishes hate crimes from other forms of crime.

Neglect

Reporter Catharine Rentz discovered that **agencies would collect reports, but would not pass them on to state police** for inclusion in official FBI counts.

Dismissiveness

Attourney Roy Austin notes that **if law enforcement agencies will not handle hate crimes effectively if they do not believe they have a hate crime problem.**