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Mr. Ellerbeck,

Thank you for your request. Please note that the Attorney General's Office is not the custodian of the information you seek. Please contact the Vermont Crime Information Center linked here: <https://vcic.vermont.gov/ch-information/statistics>

Thank you,

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Hello,

I hope this finds you well. I am a reporter at the Center for Public Integrity in Washington, DC, and I would like to get information about hate crimes/incidents reported to the Vermont AG Office.

Late last month the FBI warned of a possible uptick of hate crimes against Asian Americans during coronavirus. Does your office collect data on hate crimes, and, if so have you seen any increase in hate incidents?

If possible, I'd be interested in the total number of hate incidents/crimes reported in 2020, and whether any of these incidents were related to Covid-19 or targeted Asia Americans.

Let me know if this is available. I appreciate it.

Thanks,

Alex Ellerbeck