

Trans Murder Monitoring 2021: A Year of Progress and Challenges!

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Introduction

2021 was a year of significant progress in the fight against anti-trans violence. The Trans Murder Monitoring (TMM) project reported 375 trans murders globally, a 13% increase from 2020. This increase is largely attributed to a surge in violence during the first quarter of the year, with 18% of all cases occurring in the first three months. The data highlights the urgent need for continued vigilance and targeted interventions, particularly in regions where violence remains prevalent.

The TMM project, led by TGEU, has been instrumental in raising awareness and providing a platform for trans communities to report violence. The 2021 report, published on Trans Day of Remembrance (TDoR), serves as a crucial resource for activists, researchers, and policymakers. It details the various forms of violence, from physical assault to honor killings, and the systemic discrimination that often underpins such acts. The report also identifies key areas for improvement, such as the need for more comprehensive legal protections and better support services for survivors.

Key findings from the 2021 report include a significant increase in violence against trans women, which accounts for 62% of all recorded deaths. This trend is particularly concerning given the ongoing discrimination and marginalization faced by trans women in many parts of the world. Additionally, the report highlights the importance of community-led initiatives and the role of social media in both exposing violence and providing support networks. The data also shows that violence against trans people is not limited to specific geographic regions, underscoring the global nature of this issue.

The impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on trans violence is a significant focus of the report. While the pandemic initially led to a decrease in reported cases, a sharp rise was observed in 2021. This resurgence is linked to economic hardship, increased isolation, and the rise of transphobic rhetoric during the pandemic. The report calls for a coordinated international response to address these challenges, including the implementation of stronger legal frameworks and the provision of essential support services. Continued collaboration between governments, civil society, and the trans community is essential for meaningful progress.

Key recommendations for the future include the urgent need for stronger legal protections, including hate crime legislation and improved police training. The report also emphasizes the importance of trans-led organizations and the need for increased funding for these groups. Furthermore, it calls for the implementation of more comprehensive data collection mechanisms to better understand the scope and nature of violence against trans people. The report serves as a call to action for all stakeholders to work together to create a safer and more inclusive world for trans people.

The TMM project remains committed to its mission of documenting violence against trans people and advocating for their rights. The 2021 report is a testament to the resilience and strength of the trans community and the ongoing efforts of activists and allies worldwide. The project will continue to provide a vital platform for reporting violence and will strive to ensure that every case is documented and that every victim is remembered. The goal is to reduce the number of trans murders and ensure that all trans people can live their lives in safety and dignity.

For more information, please visit [Trans Murder Monitoring](#) or contact [TGEU](#).

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