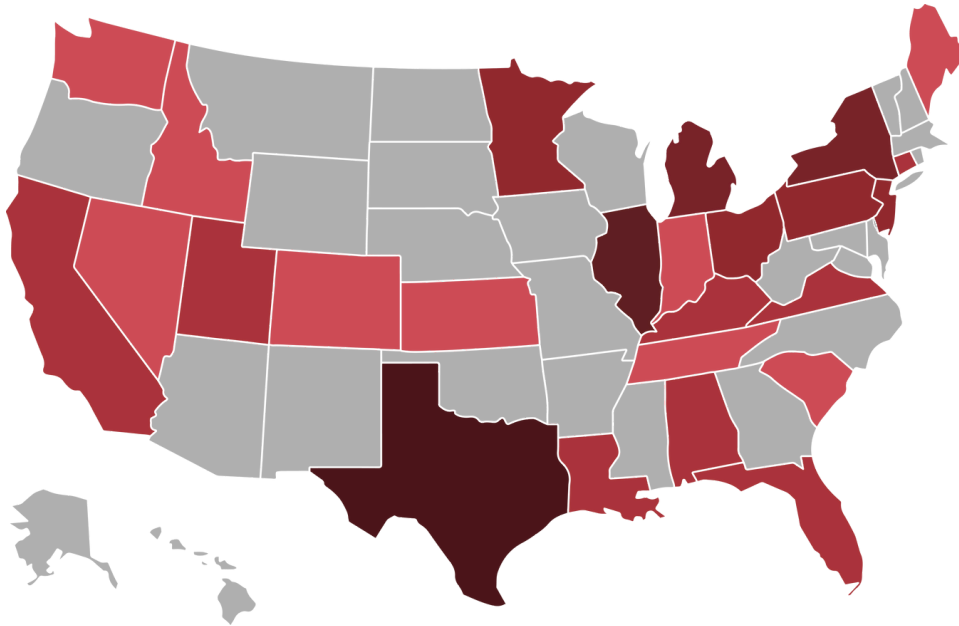




TERROR THREAT SNAPSHOT

FOREIGN, DOMESTIC, AND HOMEGROWN VIOLENT EXTREMISM: PERSISTENT TERROR THREATS TO AMERICA AND THE WORLD



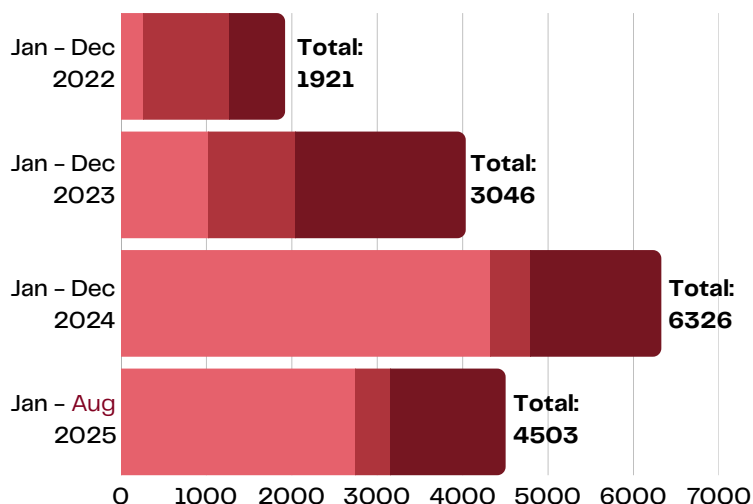
BETWEEN APRIL 2021 AND DECEMBER 2025, MORE THAN **60+ CASES OF INDIVIDUALS LINKED TO OR INSPIRED BY FOREIGN TERROR ORGANIZATIONS** WERE RECORDED IN THE UNITED STATES, INCLUDING:

- ✗ PROVIDING MATERIAL SUPPORT TO ISIS, HEZBOLLAH, AND AL QAEDA
- ✗ RECEIVING MILITARY-LEVEL TRAINING FROM HEZBOLLAH AND AL QAEDA
- ✗ ATTACKS INSPIRED BY FOREIGN TERROR ORGANIZATIONS

GLOBAL ANTISEMITISM ON THE RISE

FROM JANUARY TO AUGUST OF 2025, FAR-LEFT IDEOLOGY ACCOUNTED FOR **61%** OF TOTAL INCIDENTS RECORDED

● Far Left ● Far Right ● Other



*INCIDENTS INCLUDE ANTISEMITIC REMARKS, VANDALISM, THREATS, AND VIOLENCE. GRAPH REPRESENTS WORLDWIDE DATA COLLECTED BY THE ANTISEMITISM RESEARCH CENTER (ARC)

RECENT TERROR ACTIVITY

- DEC 14, 2025** FIFTEEN PEOPLE WERE KILLED WHEN TWO GUNMEN TARGETED HANUKKAH CELEBRATIONS AT BONDI BEACH IN SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA. POLICE FOUND HOMEMADE ISIS FLAGS IN THE GUNMEN'S VEHICLE.
- DEC 13, 2025** TWO IOWA NATIONAL GUARD MEMBERS AND A U.S. CIVILIAN INTERPRETER WERE KILLED IN AN AMBUSH-STYLE ATTACK BY AN ISLAMIC STATE GUNMAN IN SYRIA.
- NOV 26, 2025** AN AFGHAN NATIONAL WAS ARRESTED AFTER OPENING FIRE ON TWO NATIONAL GUARD MEMBERS NEAR THE WHITE HOUSE. THE SUSPECT HAS SEVERAL CHARGES INCLUDING FIRST DEGREE MURDER, AND THE FBI IS INVESTIGATING AS A POTENTIAL ACT OF TERRORISM.
- NOV 19, 2025** AFGHAN NATIONAL SENTENCED TO STATUTORY MAXIMUM OF 15 YEARS IN FEDERAL PRISON FOR KNOWINGLY RECEIVING WEAPONS IN CONNECTION TO A PLANNED TERRORIST ATTACK ON ELECTION DAY IN 2024, ON BEHALF OF ISIS.
- OCT 17, 2025** A GAZAN NATIVE LIVING IN LOUISIANA WAS ARRESTED FOR HIS ALLEGED INVOLVEMENT IN THE HAMAS-LED TERRORIST ATTACK AGAINST ISRAEL ON OCTOBER 7TH, 2023.
- SEPT 23, 2025** A NATURALIZED U.S. CITIZEN WAS SENTENCED TO 9 YEARS IN PRISON FOR PLOTTING A TERRORIST ATTACK WITH A KNIFE IN NEW YORK CITY. HE HAD BEEN CONSUMING ISIS PROPAGANDA AND PLEDGED HIS ALLEGIANCE TO THE FORMER LEADER OF ISIS.
- JULY 4, 2025** ELEVEN PEOPLE SHOT OFF FIREWORKS TO DRAW ICE PERSONNEL OUTSIDE THE ICE DETENTION FACILITY IN ALVARADO, TEXAS, FIRING ROUNDS AND WOUNDING ONE OFFICER. SEARCH WARRANTS LATER YIELDED BODY ARMOR, FIREARMS, AND ANTI-GOVERNMENT/ICE BANNERS AND PAPERS.
- JUNE 27, 2025** ASHRAF AL SAFOO, LEADER OF THE KHATTAB MEDIA FOUNDATION, AN ONLINE ORGANIZATION THAT SWORE ALLEGIANCE TO ISIS, WAS CONVICTED OF CONSPIRING TO PROVIDE MATERIAL SUPPORT TO A FOREIGN TERRORIST ORGANIZATION.
- JUNE 13, 2025** AN AFGHAN NATIONAL PLEADED GUILTY TO TWO TERRORISM-RELATED OFFENSES AFTER CONSPIRING WITH ISIS AND PLANNING AN ATTACK AGAINST AMERICANS ON ELECTION DAY.

Key Recent U.S. Developments

Download the previous “Terror Threat Snapshot,” covering April 2021-June 2025, [here](#).

December 2025

- [December 15, 2025](#): Members of the group Turtle Island Liberation Front, (TILF) Audrey Illeene Carroll, Zachary Aaron Page, Dante Gaffield, and Tina Lai, were charged with allegedly plotting a terror attack targeting business in Los Angeles on New Year’s Eve. The group describes itself as pro-decolonization and promotes anti-capitalist and anti-government beliefs.

November 2025

- [November 26, 2025](#): Rahmanullah Lakanwal, a 29-year-old Afghan national, was arrested after opening fire on two members of the National Guard near the White House in the 1800 block of 17th Street. The suspect faces several charges, including first degree murder.
- [November 21, 2025](#): Lawrence Reed, 26, was arrested and charged with terrorism after carrying out a violent, unprovoked attack aboard a Chicago Blue Line train, in which he doused a 26-year-old woman with gasoline and set her on fire.
- [November 19, 2025](#): Abdullah Haji Zada, 19, a native and citizen of Afghanistan and U.S. lawful permanent resident, has been sentenced to the statutory maximum of 15 years in federal prison. The suspect knowingly received two AK-47-style rifles and 500 rounds of ammunition to be used in connection with a terrorist attack on Election Day in November 2024 on behalf of ISIS.
- [November 5, 2025](#): Ayob Nasser, 19, of Dearborn, Michigan, was charged with “conspiring to provide material support to ISIS after joining Mohamed Ali and Majed Mahmoud in plotting an alleged terrorist attack inspired by ISIS on Halloween. Two [New Jersey residents](#), Tomas Kaan Guzel and Milo Sedan, have also been arrested in connection with the alleged plot.

October 2025

- [October 17, 2025](#): Mahmoud Amin Ya’qub Al-Muhtadi, 33, a Gazan native currently residing in Lafayette, Louisiana, was arrested for his alleged involvement in the Hamas-led terrorist attack against Israel on Oct. 7, 2023. Al-Muhtadi previously served as an operative for a Gaza-based paramilitary group that participated in the attack.

September 2025

- [September 24, 2025](#): Joshua Jahn opened fire on an ICE facility in Dallas, Texas, killing one detainee and critically wounding two others. The gunman left behind ammunition with the phrase “ANTI-ICE” written on it with blue ink.
- [September 23, 2025](#): Awais Chudhary, a naturalized U.S. citizen from Pakistan, was sentenced to nine years in prison for plotting a terrorist attack with a knife in New York City. Chudhary had been consuming ISIS propaganda for months and pledged his allegiance to Abu Bakr al-Baghdadi, former leader of ISIS.
- [September 12, 2025](#): Adeeb Nasir and Adil Justice Ahmed Nasir were arrested after they placed an incendiary device underneath a Fox 13 vehicle in Salt Lake City, Utah. They are currently facing nine charges, including two counts of weapon of mass destruction and two counts of threat of terrorism.

August 2025

- [August 30, 2025](#): John Kevin Lapinski, 41, was sentenced to 300 months in prison after pleading guilty to a series of firearm offenses and for amassing weapons, tactical gear, and attack plans targeting Jewish and Black Americans.
- [August 28, 2025](#): Two children were shot and killed at Annunciation Catholic School in Minneapolis, Minnesota, by Robin Westman, 23. Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Director Kash Patel referred to the shooting as an act of “[domestic terrorism](#).”

July 2025

- [July 26, 2025](#): Bradford Gille, U.S. citizen from Michigan, entered a Traverse City Walmart and stabbed 11 people. The motives for the attack remain unclear, though he faces multiple charges, including terrorism and assault with intent to murder.
- [July 4, 2025](#): A group of 10 to 12 people shot off fireworks to lure ICE personnel outside the ICE Detention Facility in Alvarado, Texas. When employees exited the facility, they observed the suspects vandalizing the facility and vehicles with spray paint. Between 20 and 30 rounds of ammunition were fired at unarmed corrections officers, and an Alvarado police officer responding to the scene was also shot. Search uncovered body armor, firearms, and anti-government banners and papers that included phrases such as “Fight ICE terror with class war.”

June 2025

- [June 27, 2025](#): Ashraf Al Safoo, leader of the Khattab Media Foundation, a sophisticated online organization that swore allegiance to ISIS, was convicted of conspiring to provide material support to a foreign terrorist organization. Al Safoo and his organization coordinated with ISIS to post pro-ISIS videos, articles, essays, and infographics.
- [June 24, 2025](#): Ammaad Akhtar, 33, of Stockton, California, was arrested for attempting to provide material support to a designated foreign terrorist organization. Since February 2025, Akhtar had communicated with a law enforcement-controlled individual online, whom he believed to be a member of ISIS, and expressed support for the group and jihad broadly.
- [June 13, 2025](#): In Oklahoma City, Nasir Ahmad Tawhedi, citizen of Afghanistan, pleaded guilty to two terrorism-related offenses: conspiring and attempting to provide material support and resources to ISIS, and receiving, attempting to receive, and conspiring to receive firearms and ammunition in furtherance of a federal crime of terrorism. Tawhedi had pledged his allegiance to ISIS and plotted an attack against Americans on Election Day.
- [June 10, 2025](#): Muhammad Shahzeb Kahn, a Pakistani national residing in Canada, was extradited to the United States in connection with an indictment filed in New York. Khan allegedly attempted to enter the U.S. to carry out an ISIS-inspired attack on the Jewish community in New York City. He was charged with attempting to provide material support to a designated foreign terrorist organization and attempting to commit acts of terrorism transcending national boundaries.

Key Recent Global Developments

December 2025

- [December 16, 2025](#): Polish authorities announced they have thwarted a potential ISIS-inspired terrorist attack at a Christmas market. The alleged suspect, Mateusz W., a student at the Catholic University of Lublin, was planning to use explosives to carry out a mass-casualty event and working to contact the terrorist organization.
- [December 14, 2025](#): Multiple people were wounded and 15 were killed in a mass shooting at Bondi Beach in Sydney, Australia. The attack, described as antisemitic, was carried out by two suspects, a father and son. One suspect was killed and the other was wounded by law enforcement.
- [December 13, 2025](#): Two U.S. Army soldiers and one U.S. civilian interpreter were killed, and three service members were wounded in an ambush attack in Palmyra, Syria. The lone ISIS gunman was engaged and killed by U.S. forces.
- [December 9, 2025](#): Francis Chenyi, Sr., 52, of Saint Paul, Minnesota, and Lah Nestor Langmi, 49, of Buffalo, New York, were convicted by a federal jury in Kansas City their roles in a conspiracy to provide material support and resources to kill, kidnap, and maim individuals, as well as to use weapons of mass destruction (WMDs) in Cameroon.
- [December 8, 2025](#): Repeated strikes on a kindergarten and hospital in El Fasher, Sudan killed 114 people, including 63 children, and targeted responders attempting to evacuate the wounded. The attack has been attributed to the Rapid Support Forces (RSF).

November 2025

- [November 10, 2025](#): Near the Red Fort in Delhi, India, a vehicle exploded, killing at least 15 people and injuring more than 20 others. The Indian Government has classified the incident as a deliberate terror attack.
- [November 11, 2025](#): In Islamabad, Pakistan, a suicide bomber detonated outside the District Judicial Complex after attempting to enter the building, killing 12 people and injuring 36. Jamaat-ul-Ahrar, a faction of the Tehrik-e-Taliban Pakistan (TTP), claimed responsibility for the attack.

October 2025

- [October 16, 2025](#): in the Eastern District of Virginia, Pakistani national Muhammad Pahlawan was sentenced to 40 years in prison for charges related to transporting Iranian-made advanced conventional weaponry in the Arabian Sea off the coast of Somalia.

July 2025

- [July 28, 2025](#): Forty-three Christians, including nine children, were killed by Islamist militants at a vigil service in the Democratic Republic of Congo. The attack was carried out by a group affiliated with the Islamic State's Central African Province.