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Source Summary Statement	(U//FOUO) This IIF is based on government press releases and press reporting. We have high confidence in the information obtained from government press releases as it derives from law enforcement investigations and court proceedings. We have high confidence in the information obtained from press reporting as it consists information provided by law enforcement regarding arrested individuals. (U//FOUO) We have medium confidence in our assessment that domestic terrorists probably will pose an increased threat to government facilities and personnel in 2021. New reporting of ongoing threats, attempts, or intent to target government facilities and personnel would increase our confidence in this assessment.
Definitions	(U//FOUO) Anarchist Extremist: Any groups or individuals who facilitate or engage in acts of unlawful violence as a means of changing the government and society in support of the belief that all forms of capitalism and corporate globalization should be opposed, and that governing institutions are unnecessary and harmful to society. (U//FOUO) Anti-Government Extremist: Groups or individuals who facilitate or engage in unlawful acts of violence directed at federal, state, or local law enforcement, other government officials, critical infrastructure or government facilities in order to affect the conduct of a government or influence the policy of a government by intimidation or coercion, in response to their belief that their liberties are being taken away by the perceived unconstitutional or otherwise illegitimate actions of government officials or law enforcement. Some form of this belief is common to several violent extremist ideologies, including sovereign citizen extremism and militia extremism; anti-government extremists differ from these other categories in that they do not subscribe to these violent extremist ideologies in total, but often adopt elements of these ideologies, including the use of violence in furtherance of their ideology. (U//FOUO) Domestic Terrorism: Any act of unlawful violence that is dangerous to human life or potentially destructive of critical infrastructure or key resources committed by a group or individual based and operating entirely within the United States or its territories without direction or inspiration from a foreign terrorist group. This act is a violation of the criminal laws of the United States or of any state or other subdivision of the United States and appears to be intended to intimidate or coerce a civilian population, to influence the policy of a government by intimidation or coercion, or to affect the conduct of a government by mass destruction, assassination, or kidnapping. A domestic terrorist differs from a homegrown violent extremist in that the former is not inspired by and does not take direction from a foreign terrorist group or other foreign power. (U//FOUO) Militia Extremists: Groups or individuals who facilitate or engage in acts of unlawful violence directed at federal, state, or local government officials or infrastructure in response to their belief that the government deliberately is stripping Americans of their freedoms and is attempting to establish a totalitarian regime. These individuals consequently oppose many federal and state authorities' laws and regulations (particularly those related to firearms ownership) and often belong to armed paramilitary groups. They often conduct paramilitary training designed to violently resist perceived government oppression or to violently overthrow the US Government. (U//FOUO) Radicalization: The process through which an individual changes from a non-violent belief system to a belief system that includes the willingness to actively advocate, facilitate, or use unlawful violence as a method to effect societal or political change.

	(U//FOUO) White supremacist extremists: Groups or individuals who facilitate or engage in acts of unlawful violence directed at the federal government, ethnic minorities, or Jewish persons in support of their belief that Caucasians are intellectually and morally superior to other races and their perception that the government is controlled by Jewish persons.
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