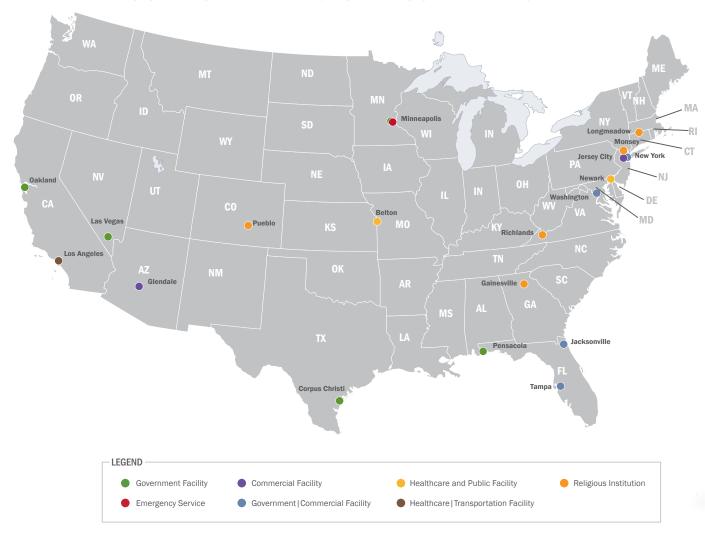
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(U//F0U0) FY20: Attacks and Plots Impacting US Critical Infrastructure

(U//FOUO) We assess that lone offenders and small groups continue to pose the most persistent threat of terrorism impacting US-based critical infrastructure and religious institutions, based on a large body of law enforcement and open source reporting over the course of FY20. At least 11 attacks and 8 disrupted plots occurred during FY20 with the greatest number of incidents affecting government facilities, followed by commercial facilities, religious institutions, and public health facilities. We judge that target selection was impacted due to the challenges posed by the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, which resulted in widespread health and economic disruptions that limited access to some facilities, as well as ongoing civil unrest against perceived police brutality. The graphic below highlights the location, tactic, target, perpetrator, and casualties reported for each incident.



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Sector	Location	Tactic	Ideology	Туре	Description
	New York, NY; Washington, DC		IT	Plot	(U) 19 Sept 2020: Two ISIS-inspired individuals were arrested for allegedly plotting to attack a range of targets, including Trump Tower, the White House, the New York Stock Exchange, or the headquarters of federal law enforcement agencies, according to media reports. The individuals were charged with conspiracy to provide material support to a designated foreign terrorist organization.¹
	Minneapolis, MN		DT		(U//FOUO) 3 Sept 2020: The FBI arrested two self-described "boogaloo bois" for conspiring and attempting to provide material support to a foreign terrorist organization. The individuals sought to employ themselves as "mercenaries" for HAMAS and discussed targeting law enforcement, government monuments, politicians, and members of the media, among other potential targets, according to a Department of Justice (DOJ) press release. ²
	Richlands, VA		DT	Plot	(U//FQUO) 4 June 2020: An alleged involuntary celibate violent extremist severely injured himself while making an improvised explosive device. The FBI discovered several letters describing a scenario to blow up women in a shopping mall, according to media reports. The individual is currently awaiting trial. ³
	Las Vegas, NV	(A)	DT		(4) 30 May 2020: Three self-identified adherents of the "boogaloo" were arrested for conspiracy to cause destruction during protests and for possessing an unregistered destructive device, specifically a molotov cocktail, according to a DOJ press release. Between April and 30 May 2020, the individuals allegedly plotted to attack law enforcement and damage or destroy government facilities as well as a public utility installation. The individuals are currently detained on federal and state charges. ⁴
	Oakland, CA		DT	Attack	(U//FOU0) 29 May 2020: Using nearby lawful protests as a distraction, two militia extremists ambushed and shot two Federal Protective Service officers outside of the Oakland Courthouse, killing one. On 6 June 2020, two law enforcement officers were shot, one fatally, in a firefight while trying to apprehend one of the militia extremists, according to media reports. Both individuals are awaiting federal trial. ⁵
	Minneapolis, MN		DT	Attack	(4) 28 May 2020: A self-described adherent of the "boogaloo" shot 1.3 rounds from an AK-47 style semiautomatic rifle into a Minneapolis Police Department building while looters were inside the building, according to a DOJ press release. The individual allegedly traveled from Texas to Minneapolis intending to participate in a riot.6
	Tampa, FL		IT	Plot	(U//FOUO) 24 May 2020: An ISIS supporter was arrested for attempting to carry out an attack on behalf of the terrorist organization, according to a DOJ press release and criminal complaint. The individual scouted out potential targets in the Tampa area, including crowded beaches and the FBI Tampa Field Office and allegedly rehearsed portions of the attack. The individual was charged with attempting to provide material support or resources to a designated foreign terrorist organization. ⁷
	Corpus Christi, TX		IT		(U//FOU0) 21 May 2020: A homegrown violent extremist used a firearm to attack a checkpoint at Naval Air Station Corpus Christi, wounding a security officer, according to law enforcement officials and Western media reporting. Social media accounts likely associated with the attacker indicated his support for foreign terrorist organizations such as ISIS and al-Qa'ida, according to a law enforcement review of electronic media recovered from the scene and the attacker's residence. Naval security forces killed the attacker in an ensuing shootout. ^{8,9,10}
	Glendale, AZ		DT	Attack	(U) 20 May 2020: A self-identified involuntary celibate violent extremist shot and injured three individuals at an entertainment district, according to media reports. The individual told investigators he was targeting couples and planned to harm 10 individuals. The individual faces 16 felony charges. 11.12
	Longmeadow, MA	(%)	DT	Attack	(4) 2 Apr 2020: A probable white supremacist extremist allegedly attempted to ignite an improvised incendiary device near the entrance of a Jewish assisted living facility in Longmeadow, Massachusetts, according to a federal criminal complaint and Western media reporting. The incident occurred on or around the same day that the user of a white supremacist online platform specifically identified the facility as a target for violence and created a calendar entry for the attack. The suspect remains in detention on a charge of attempted arson. 13.14
	Los Angeles, CA	Č	DT	Attack	(U//FOU0) 31 Mar 2020: A train engineer derailed a locomotive off the end of its rail tracks in a deliberate attempt to draw media attention to a nearby naval hospital ship in the Port of Los Angeles, according to a DOJ press release and media reports. The suspect made various statements to law enforcement authorities indicating the probable influence of "QAnon" conspiracy theories, alleging that the ship "had an alternative purpose related to COVID-19 or a government takeover." The suspect is awaiting trial on a charge of train wrecking. 15,16
, CO	Belton, MO	(4) P	DT	Plot	(U//F0U0) 24 Mar 2020: A white supremacist extremist planned to conduct a vehicle-borne improvised explosive device attack against a Missouri medical center due to the ongoing coronavirus pandemic and increased media attention on the health sector, according to media reports. The individual also discussed using mylar balloons to attack energy infrastructure. The individual was killed in a shootout with law enforcement, according to media reports. The individual also discussed using mylar balloons to attack energy infrastructure. The individual was
	Jacksonville, FL	K .	DT		(U//F0U0) 8 Feb 2020: A Jacksonville, Florida resident conducted a vehicle-ramming attack against a Republican voter registration tent in a shopping center, according to media reports. The suspect allegedly conducted the attack based on his opposition to the US president, according to law enforcement officials. The suspect was charged with aggravated assault and criminal mischief. ^{19,20}



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Ş	Newark, DE	(%)	DT	Attack	(U//FOU0) 3 Jan 2020: An anti-abortion extremist allegedly threw an improvised incendiary device at a reproductive healthcare facility in Newark, Delaware, according to a federal criminal complaint and media reports. The suspect spray-painted "God's will" on the facility and had a history of making anti-abortion social media posts, according to video surveillance and a law enforcement investigation. The suspect was charged with maliciously damaging a building through the use of fire or destructive device, and intentionally damaging a reproductive health facility. 21.22
A	Monsey, NY	-	DT	Attack	(U//FOU0) 28 Dec 2019: A black supremacist extremist allegedly used a machete to attack individuals observing Chanukah in the home of a rabbi in Monsey, New York, killing one and wounding four others, according to a federal criminal complaint and Western media reports. Law enforcement officials discovered a journal containing several pages of anti-Semitic references from the suspect's residence. The suspect was charged with five counts of willfully causing bodily injury because of the victims' religion and five counts of obstructing the free exercise of religion in an attempt to kill—all federal hate crimes. As of September 2020, the suspect was being held in a psychiatric hospital for evaluation of his mental health. 23.24.25
	Jersey City, NJ	<u>uuu</u>	DT	Attack	(U//FQUO) 10 Dec 2019: Black supremacist extremists used firearms to attack a law enforcement officer at a cemetery and patrons at a kosher food market in Jersey City, New Jersey, killing four and wounding three others, according to media reporting. The suspects adhered to anti-Semitic and anti-law enforcement views, according to law enforcement officials. 26,27
	Pensacola, FL		IT	Attack	(U//FQUO) 6 Dec 2019: A Royal Saudi Air Force officer shot and killed three US navy officers and injured eight others at the Naval Air Station in Pensacola, Florida where he was participating in aviation training. On 2 February 2020, al-Qa'ida in the Arabian Peninsula claimed the shooting, stating that it directed the individual to carry out the attack, according to media reports. ²⁸
	Gainesville, GA	-	DT	Plot	(4) 15 Nov 2019: A teenage white supremacist extremist was arrested for planning to attack a church with a predominantly black congregation, according to media reports. After searching the teenager's bookbag, two knives, a notebook detailing the plot, and several t-shirts were found—one of which stated, "I do consider myself a white supremacist" and one referencing the gunman who killed nine black church members in Charleston, South Carolina in 2015. ²⁹
	Pueblo, CO		DT	Plot	(U) 1 Nov 2019: A self-identified Neo-Nazi and white supremacist plotted to blow up a synagogue in Pueblo, Colorado, according to a DOJ press release. The individual told an undercover FBI agent that he was preparing for a racial holy war and wanted to remove the synagogue from the map. The individual was arrested and pleaded guilty to federal hate crime and explosive charges and is currently awaiting sentencing. ³⁰

