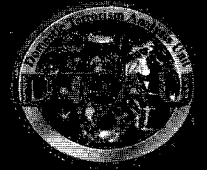




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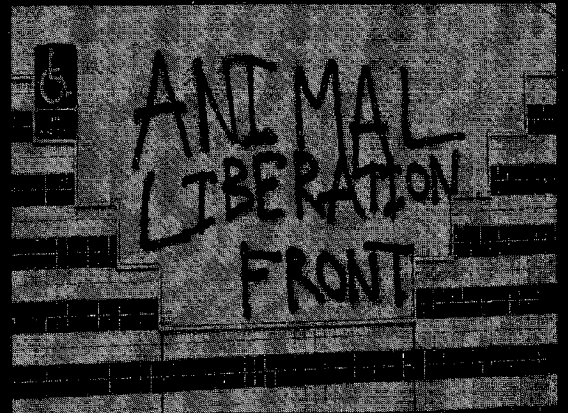
- Brief History
- Targeting and Tactics
- Trends in Incidents 2005-2007



ALF



- Best described as a movement
- Non-hierarchical, cellular structure
- 1970s ALF founded in UK
- 1979 – First ALF-claimed incidents in US

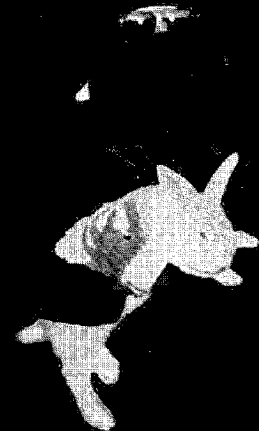


(U) Graffiti found at restaurant
- Chico, CA - 2003



ALF Guidelines

- Inflict economic damage
- Increase public awareness
- Protect all forms of life
- End animal abuse
- Must be vegan or vegetarian



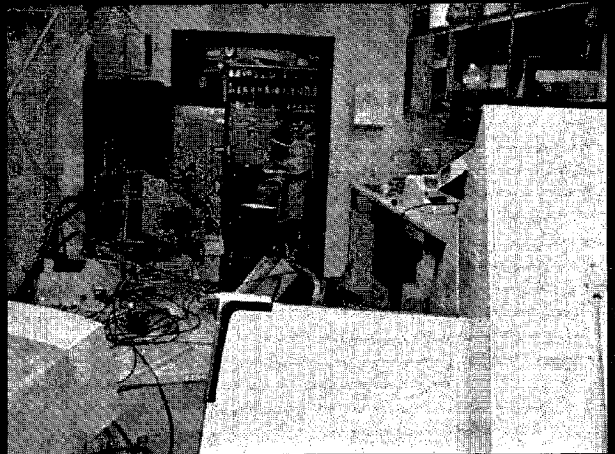
(U) Rabbit released from
animal testing facility
Hardwick, MA - 2006



ALF Targeting



- butcher shops
- factory livestock farms
- fur farms
- fur retailers
- restaurants
- rodeos
- scientific research labs
- slaughterhouses



(U) Vandalism of university laboratory

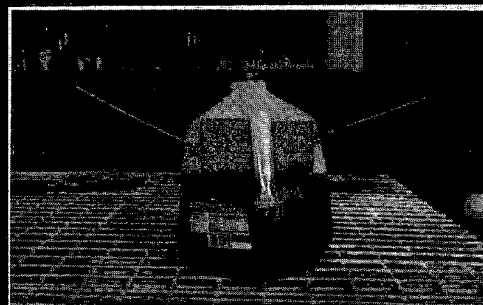
Iowa City, IA - 2004



ALF Tactics



- animal theft/release
- arson/attempted arson
- bomb hoax
- cyber tactics
- harassment
- incendiary/explosive devices
- property theft
- threat
- vandalism



(U) Graffiti at high school

Philadelphia, PA - 2004



Targeting & Tactics



Targeting

- HLS
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Tactics

- vandalism, graffiti, equipment sabotage
- office invasions
- stink bombs/butyric acid
- assaults & fire-bombings (UK)



Current Trends in Animal Rights Extremism



Stop Huntingdon Animal Cruelty (SHAC)



- Goal: To eliminate Huntingdon Life Sciences (HLS)
- Organizational structure
- Founded in UK in 1999
- Came to US in 2000

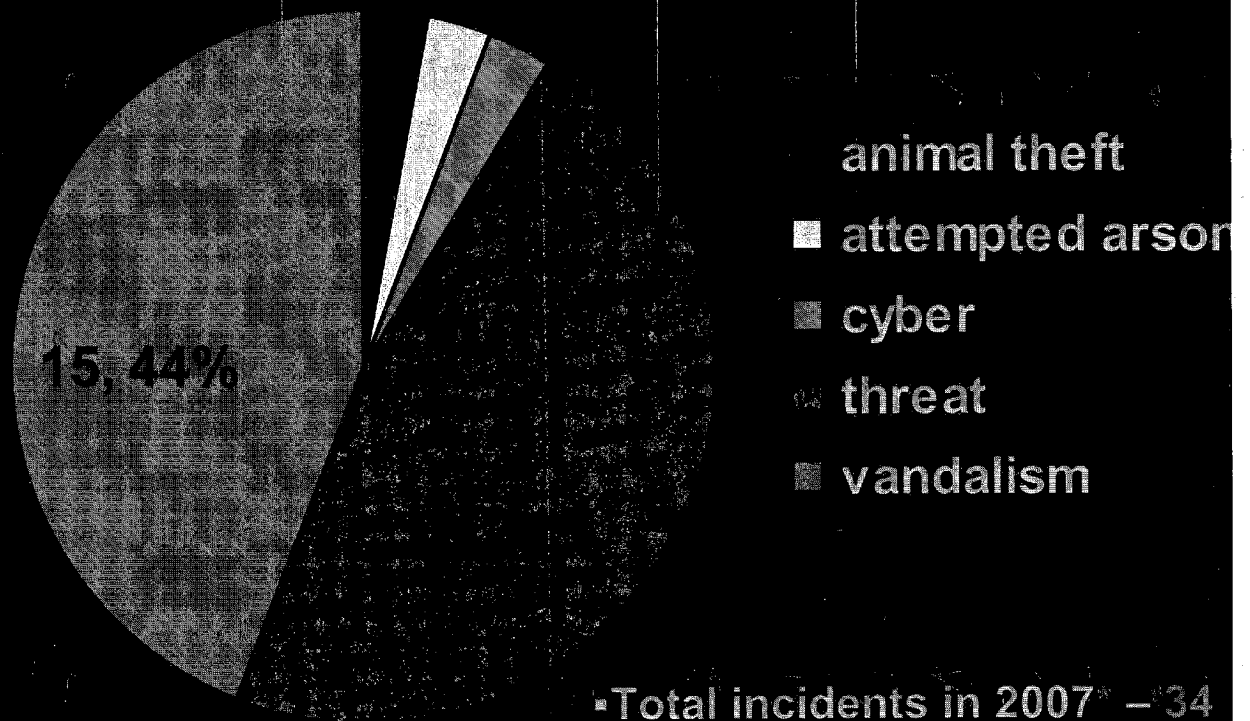
STOP HUNTINGDON



ANIMAL CRUELTY

(U) Image from SHAC Web site

Animal Rights Extremism Incidents 2007*



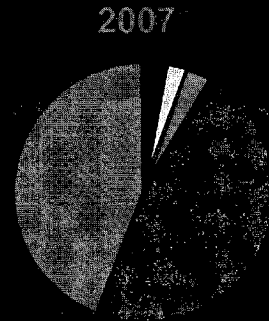
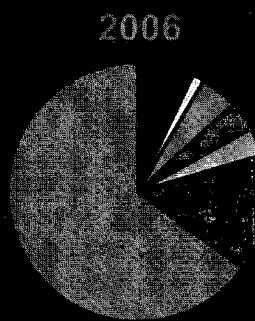


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Incidents 2005 - 2007

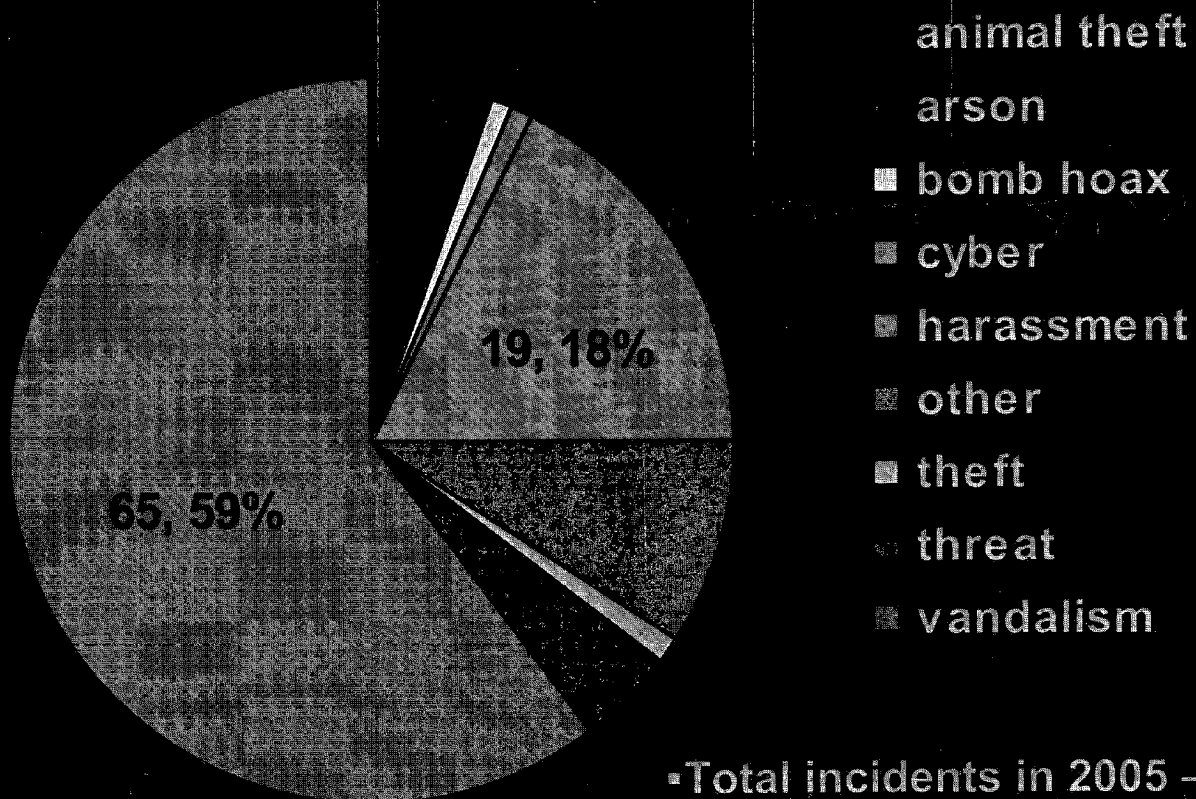


- Total incidents in 2005 – 108
- Total incidents in 2006 – 83
- Total incidents in 2007* – 34

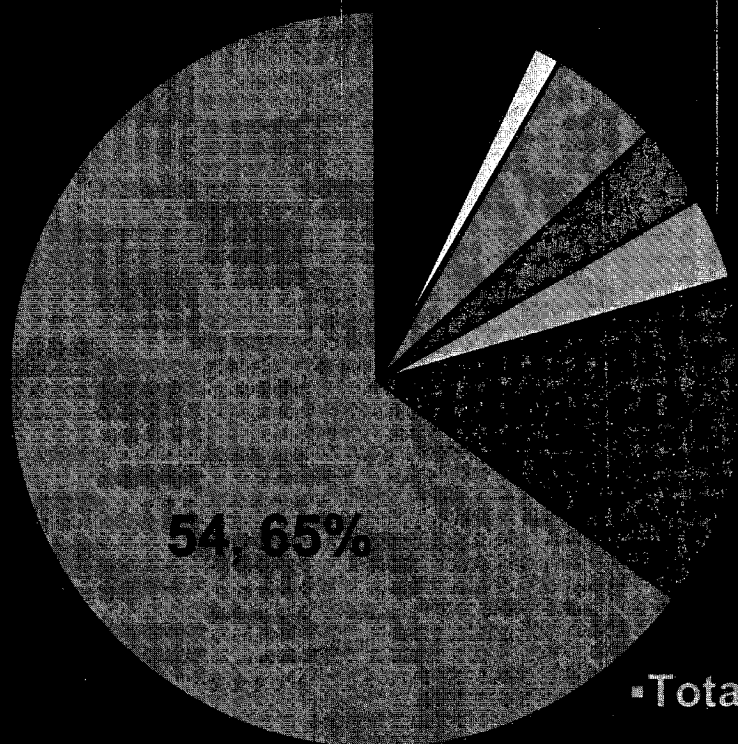


- animal theft
- arson
- attempted arson
- bomb hoax
- cyber
- harassment
- other
- theft
- threat
- vandalism

Animal Rights Extremism Incidents 2005



Animal Rights Extremism Incidents 2006



- animal theft
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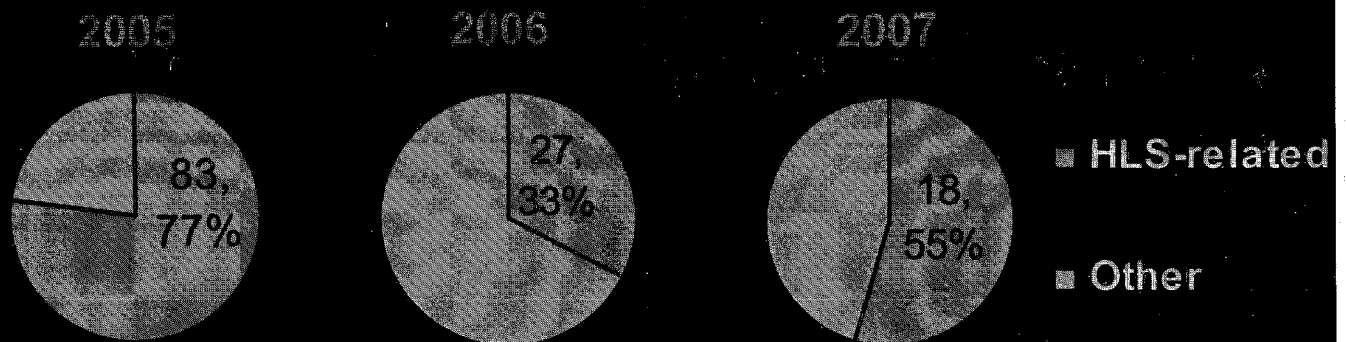
■ Total incidents in 2006 – 83



Anti-HLS Targeting



- 2006: Significant decrease in anti-HLS activity
- 2007: Significant increase in anti-HLS activity





SHAC on Trial



- March 2006 – SHAC USA, Inc. and six of its leaders found guilty on all charges during a federal trial in Newark, NJ
 - Charges: Animal Enterprise Terrorism, Harassing Interstate Communications, Interstate Stalking, and Aiding & Abetting
- September 2006 – sentenced



Animal Enterprise Terrorism Act (AETA)

- 18 USC § 43
- Signed November 27, 2006
- Amendment to the Animal Enterprise Protection Act (AEPA) of 1992
 - Successful Prosecutions



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Offense	Old Penalty	New Penalty
Does not instill fear of serious bodily injury or death and results in no economic damage or bodily injury or results in economic damage	Not more than six months imprisonment and/or fine	Not more than one year imprisonment and/or fine
Results in no bodily injury and results in economic damage or instills fear of serious bodily injury or death	Not more than three years imprisonment and/or fine	Not more than five years imprisonment and/or fine
Results in economic damage or results in substantial bodily injury	N/A	Not more than ten years imprisonment and/or fine
Results in serious bodily injury or results in economic damage	N/A	Not more than on any imprisonment and/or fine
Results in death of an individual	Imprisonment for life or for any term of years	Imprisonment for life or for any terms of years.



Animal Enterprise Terrorism Act (AETA)



- Redefines economic damage
 - Type of crime being committed
 - Those persons or entities with any connection to an animal enterprise
- Not only attacks against animal enterprises
 - attacks on companies dealing with animal enterprises
 - threats made to researchers and/or their families
 - damages to retail stores and restaurants



ELF



- Best described as a movement
- Non-hierarchical, cellular structure
- 1992 – ELF founded in UK
- 1993 – ELF came to US



(U) Graffiti on vehicle at
USFS biotech laboratory
Rhinelander, WI - 2000



ELF Guidelines



- Inflict economic damage
- Increase public awareness
- Protect all forms of life



(U) Burned SUVs

West Covina, CA - 2003



ELF Targeting



- construction sites/urban sprawl
- universities
- logging/lumber industry
- SUVs



(U) Burned SUVs
West Covina, CA - 2003



Current Trends in Eco-terrorism



ELF Tactics



- arson
- attempted arson
- bomb hoax
- graffiti
- threat
- vandalism

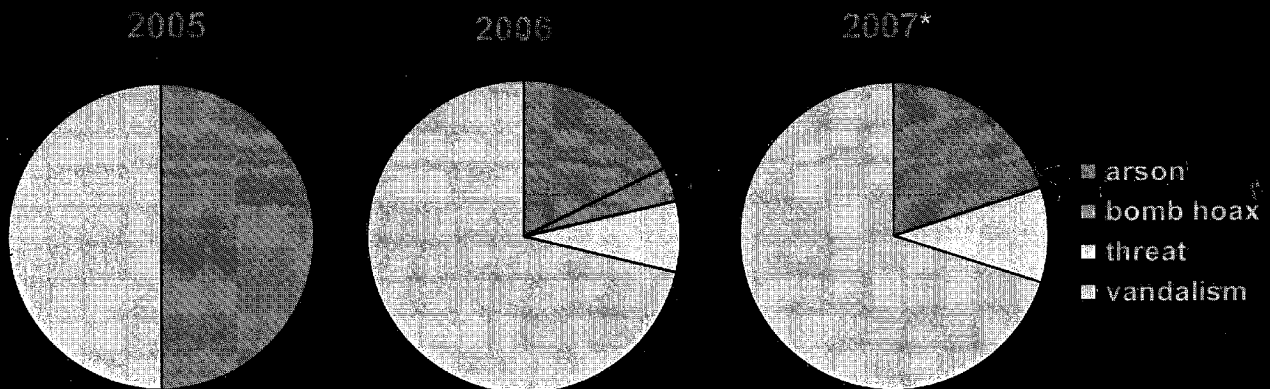


(U) Arson of ski resort
Vail, CO - 1998

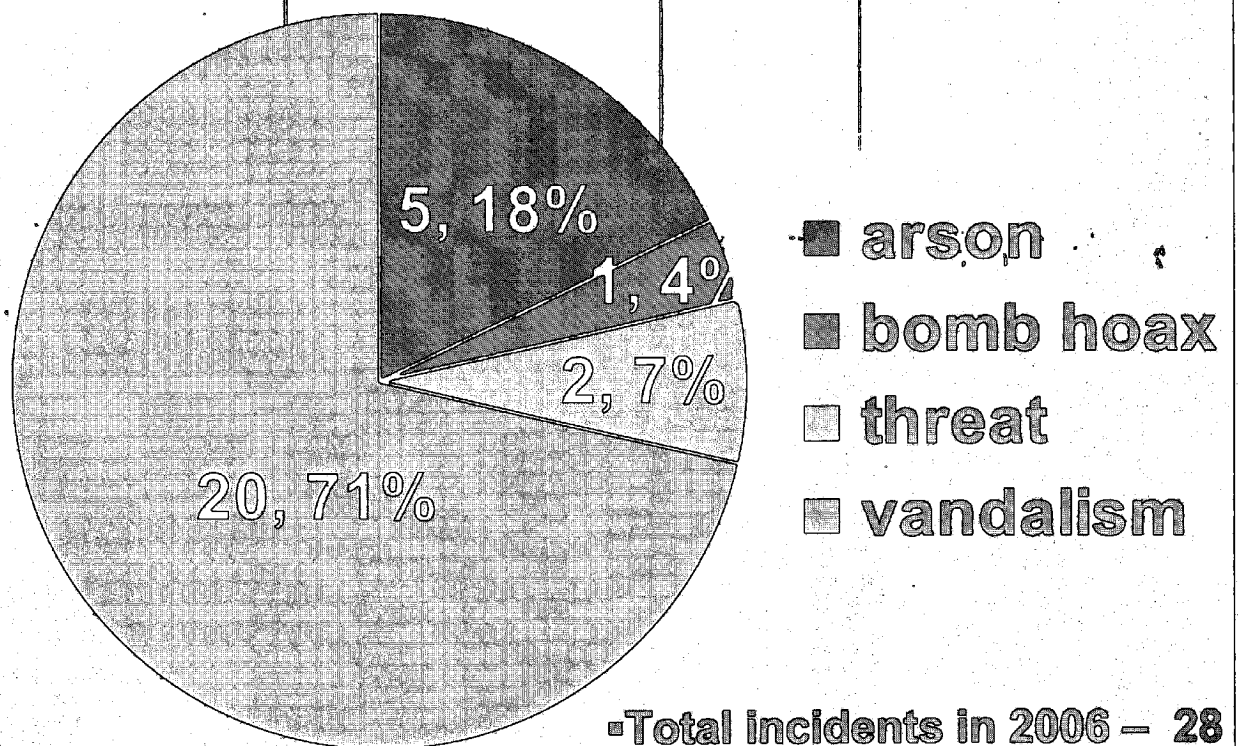


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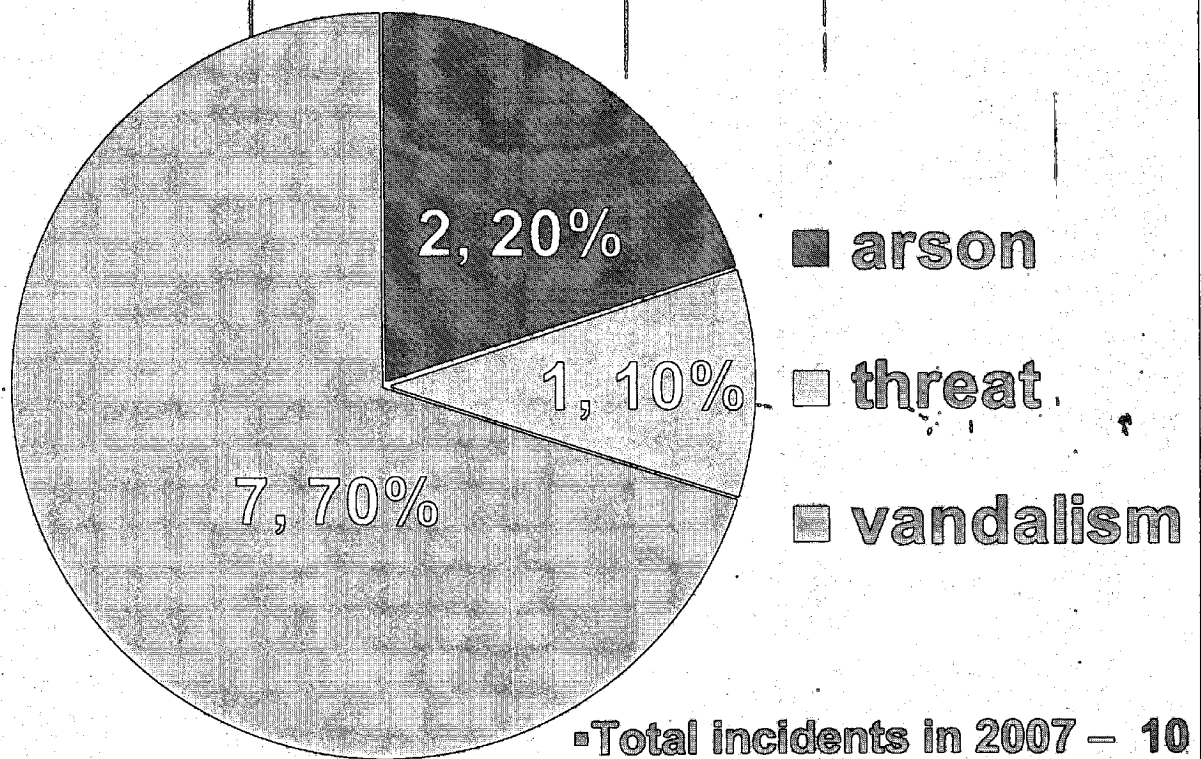
- Total incidents in 2005 – 30
- Total incidents in 2006 – 28
- Total incidents in 2007* – 10



Eco-Terrorism Incidents 2006



Eco-Terrorism Incidents 2007





Operation Backfire

- 46 reported criminal incidents 1996 – 2001
- ALF/ELF
- 2005/2006 – 18 individuals indicted
 - Charges: Arson, Attempted Arson, Use of Destructive Devices, Aiding & Abetting, and Criminal Conspiracy
- May/June 2007 – 9 individuals sentenced
- More sentencing to come!
- 4 fugitives



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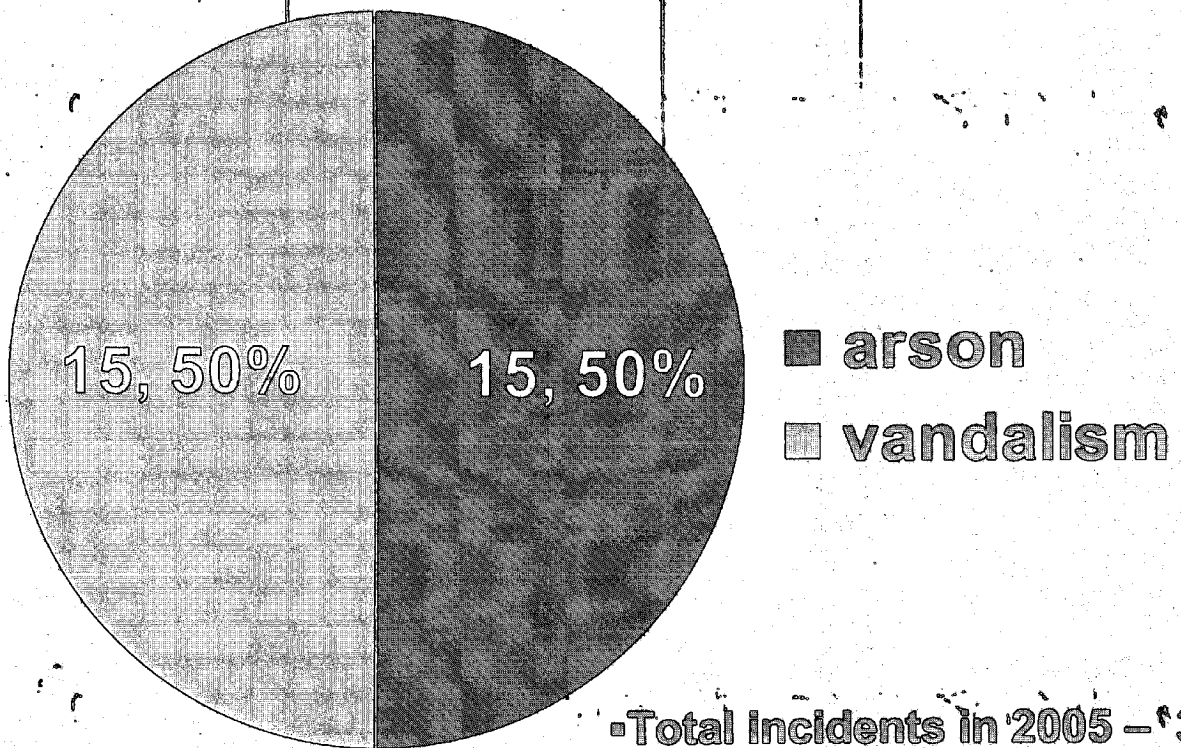
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