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## Learning Objectives

### Improved Communication
- Speak with confidence on several aspects of terrorism in the United States.
- Educate others on the true aspects of terrorism and terrorists, based on real data/statistics.

### Enhanced Response
- Recognize and appropriately respond to potential threats related to terrorism, including the subtle signs.
- Summarize and apply the fundamentals of terrorism to other aspects of violent behaviors.

### Crisis Decision-Making
- Recommend a strategy based on your interpretation of the data presented and communicate that strategy with others.
- Identify markers of a developing extremist and the tools to help steer them down a better path.
Definitions of Terrorism

Domestic Terrorism
“...the unlawful use of force and violence against persons or property to intimidate or coerce a government, the civilian population, or any segment thereof, in furtherance of political or social objectives”

International Terrorism
“...activities that involve violent acts or acts dangerous to human life that is a violation of the criminal law..., appear to be intended to intimidate or coerce a civilian population, influence the policy of a government, or to affect the conduct of a government by mass destruction, assassination, or kidnapping”

Terrorism
“The unlawful use of violence or threat of violence, often motivated by religious, political, or other ideological beliefs, to instill fear and coerce governments or societies in pursuit of goals that are usually political”
What makes a crime an act of terror?

• The type of crime and scale of its outcome should not be used to determine if a crime is an act of terrorism.

• If the individuals or groups committing the acts of violence are doing so because the victims do not follow their personal or religious beliefs or the act can be used as a tool for political gain, then the chances are they are acts of terrorism.

If an individual pulls out a gun and fires at school kids or co-workers, the individual is not likely to be prosecuted as a terrorist.
As recent as 1983 the FBI would not investigate a terrorist act unless it had more than one person involved.

Terrorism Legislation

**INTENT**

In a criminal case, not related to terrorism the burden of "proving intent" is on the prosecution.

In the case of terrorism, acts that "appear to be intended" to intimidate, coerce, retaliate may still qualify as terroristic crimes without additional evidence.

Thirty pieces of legislation related to terrorism were enacted in the United States in 2015-2016.
Domestic or International Terrorist?

A

International boarders will not stop me!

B

Forms a plan to kill fellow Americans
Domestic or International Terrorist?

If an individual plans or trains for a terror act in the US – Domestic Terrorist (A)
If the individual plans or trains for a terror act out of the US – International Terrorist (B)
Learning Through Game-playing

Are you a potential recruit or have hidden aspirations to become a terrorist?
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**Last Man Standing** The 8-marker profile (stems from patterns identified) of a terrorist is presented as a game. This is to get people relaxed and encourage interactive communication.

The last man standing has an increased change of becoming radicalized. Participants have many opportunities to “sit” if they do not want to be the last person standing. To Begin.

1. If you are female please sit down.

2. If you are between 15 - 43 yrs. old you are more likely to have terrorist aspirations.

Additional Sources:

Of the 483 Males ~80% 15 years old – 43 years old; Male Ave. = 32 years old
Of the 36 Females ~80% 17 years old – 46 years old; Ave. = 35.5 Years old
Women are soft, gentle, and innocent.

3. Educated (increased chances with unemployment) Keep Standing.

"Groups like ISIS can be selective; recruits are banging on their doors to join"

Additional Sources:

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Sample Size = #292
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4. If you are married or have a girlfriend sit down.

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Missing fathers and America's broken boys - the vast majority of mass shooters come from broken homes

"He played father figure to the lost men, providing them with jobs, housing, beer and drugs."

Ciccolo's parents divorced when he was in grade school. He lived with his mother on Cape Cod. His mother took him to live in Florida, leaving his Syrian father behind.

Terror alert as boy pilot flies plane into skyscraper

5. If you are raised by a mother or grandmother (no father figure) please continue to stand.


"Among the 25 most-cited school shooters since Columbine, 75 percent were reared in broken homes." (Kao, Emilie, (2018) The Crisis of Fatherless Shooters.)
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**Social Class (#248)**

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“A 1977 study of terrorist profiles which supported the conclusion that terrorists are generally middle or upper class”

“Groups like ISIS can be selective; recruits are banging on their doors to join”

6. If you come from a poor family sit down.

Additional Sources:
7. If you live in a country/location different from your place of origin keep standing.

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This map depicts the countries of origin for 474 non-US born parents of men and women that have been charged with terrorist acts that were committed in the United States of America since 2001. The map excludes 302 American born parents and due to data availability, does not represent a complete data set. The map also excludes 256 parents of unknown or vague decent, (Dr Olivia Stone, PhD APAM Christ Church, NZ)

7. If you live in a country/location different from your place of origin keep standing.

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“People who are more open to terrorist recruitment and radicalization tend to: Feel angry, alienated or disenfranchised.”

Deangelis, Tori (2009), Understanding Terrorism, Vol 40, No. 10

“Many found the radicalized individuals to have feelings of anger and hatred.”


8. Lastly, are you isolated, angry or do you feel victimized?

What Can We Do?

Fighting terrorism in our community, neighborhood, in our schools and our homes.

Global Problems

Poverty, Pollution, and World Peace

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- Between 15 - 43 yrs. old.
- Educated (increased chances with unemployment).
- Single.
- Middle/Working class.
- Live away from childhood home.
- No active father figure.
- Feel isolated, angry victimized.
Encourage them to join productive groups

Help them improve their resume to find gainful employment.

Be a friend and mentor. Change their narrative to something positive.

Do not be afraid to call out/address bad behavior.

Talk to them about their country, social norms, and tell them about yours.

Be that father (or big brother/sister) figure.

If you SEE something, SAY something.
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- Abid Naseer
- Adam Raishani (Saddam Mohamed Raishani)
- Adam Dandach
- Adam Gadahn (Azzam al-Amriki)
- Adam Lynn Cunningham
- Adam Nauveed Hayat
- Adam Shafi
- Adel Daoud
- Adis Medunjakin
- Adnan Abidihamid Farah
- Ahmad Abousamra
- Ahmad Hussam Al Din Fayeq Abdul Aziz (Abu Bakr Alsinawi)
- Ahmad Khan Rahami
- Ahmed Abdel Sattar
- Ahmed Abdullah Minni
- Ahmed Ali Omar
- Ahmed Hassan Al-Uqaily
- Ahmed Hussein Mahamud
- Ahmed Ibrahim Bilal
- Ahmed Mohamed Isse
- Ahmed Mohammed El Gammal
- Ahmed Omar Abu Ali
- Akba Jihad Jordan
- Akram Abdallah
- Akram Musleh
- Alaa Saadeh
- Alberto Renteria (Abu Hudhayfa al-Mexiki)
- Alex Hernandez
- Alexander Ciccolo
- Alexander E. Blair
- Alexander Samuel Smith (Amir Alexander)
- Ali al-Tamimi
- Ali Asad Chandia
- Ali Kourani (Ali Mohamad Kourani, Jacob Lewis Daniel)
- Ali Mohamed Bagegni
- Ali Muhammad Brown
- Ali Saleh
- Ali Shukri Amin
- Allen Walter Lyon (Hammad Abdur-Raheem)
- Alton Nolen (Jah'Keem Yisrael)
- Alwar Pouryan
- Aman Hassan Yemer
- Amer Sinan Alhaggagi
- Amera Akl
- Amiir Farouk Ibrahim
- Amina Farah Ali
- Amr I. Elgindy (Anthony Elgindy)
- Andrew Joseph III Stack
- Anes Subasic
- Anthony M. Hayne
- Antonio Martinez (Muhammad Hussain)
- Anwar Awlaki
- Arafat M. Nagi
- Ariel Bradley
- Arifeen Gojali
- Arman Ali
- Arwah Jaber
- Asher Abed Khan
- Ashraf Alzaim (Ashraf Zaim)
- Asia Siddiqui
- Asif Ahmed Salim
- Atal Bashar
- Avin Marsalis Brown
- Awais Younis
- Aziz Ihab Sayyed
- Aziz Sayyed
- Barry Walter Bujol
- Basaaly Saeed Moalin
- Bernard Raymond Augustine
- Betim Kaziu
- Bilal Abood
- Bilal Mazloum
- Bonnell (Buster) Hughes
- Brandon L. Baxter
- Brian Neal Vinas
- Brother of Mohammed Hamzah Khan
- Bruce Edwards Ivins
- Burhan Hassan
- Burson Augustin
- Byron Williams
- Cabdulaahi Ahmed Faarax
- Carlos Eduardo Almonte
- Carlos Leon Bledsoe
- Cary Lee Ogborn
- Casey Charles Spain
- Castelli Marie
- Cedric Carpenter
- Charles Bishop
- Christopher Lee Cornell
- Christopher Paul
- Clark Calloway
- Clifford L. Cousins
- Coleman Barney
- Colleen Larose (Jihad Jane Fatima LaRose)
- Conner C. Stevens
- Craig Benedict Baxam
- Dahir Gurey Sheikh Ali Guled
- Damon Joseph
- Dan Roberts
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- Daniel Cowart
- Daniel Joseph Maldonado (Daniel Aljugaifi)
- Daniel Patrick Boyd
- Daniel Seth Franey (Abu Dawuud)
- Daniel Wells Herriman
- Daniela Greene
- Darren Arness Jackson (Daad)
- David Williams IV
- David Wright (Dawud SharifAbdul Khaliq, Dawud Sharif Wright, Dawud Sharif Wright, Dawud Sharif Abdul Wright)
- David Yamasu ("Dawud Qatal al-Amriki")
- Dayne Atani Christian (Shakur)
- Decarus Lowell Thomas (Abdul Malik Abdul Kareem)
- Demetrius “Van” Crocker
- Demetrius Pitts (Abdur Raheem Rafiq)
- Derrick Shareef (Talib Abu Salam Ibn Shareef)
- Derrick Thompson
- Domingue Frederick Jr. (Walli Mujahidh)
- Donald Ray Morgan
- Donald T. Surratt
- Douglas McAuthur McCain
- Douglas Wright
- Dylan Boyd (Mohammed)
- Dzhokhar Anzorovich Tsarnaev
- Edward Archer
- Edward Feltus
- Ehsanul Islam Sadequee
- Elias Akhdar
- Elizabeth Lecron
- Elton Simpson
- Elvis Redzepagic
- Emanuel L Lutchman
- Emerson Begolly
- Enaam M. Arnaout
- Enrique Marquez Jr.
- Eric Harroun
- Eric Reginald Robinson
- Erick Jamal Hendricks
- Erwin Antonio Rios
- Esteban Santiago
- Everitt Aaron Jameson
- Eyad Suleiman
- Fadhil Al- Khaledy
- Faisal Mohammad
- Faisal Shahzad
- Farah Mohamed Beledi
- Fareed Mumuni
- Farooque Ahmed
- Father of Mohamad Saeed Kodaimati
- Fawaz Mohammed Damrah
- Fawaz Rahal
- Faysal Galab
- Frederick Thomas
- Gale Nettles
- Garrett Asger Grimsley
- Gen Mustafe Noorudiin
- Ghassan Elashi
- Gregory Hubbard (Jibreel)
- Gregory Lepsy
- Gregory Vernon Patterson
- Gufran Ahmed Kauser Mohammed
- Guleed Ali Omar
- Hafiz Muhammed Sher Ali Khan
- Hamid Hayat
- Hamza Naj Ahmed
- Hanad Abdullahi Mohallim
- Hanad Mustafe Musse
- Haris Qamar
- Harlem Suarez
- Hasan Akbar
- Hasan Ali Ayesh
- Hasan Edmonds
- Hassan Kamal
- Hassan Moussa Makki
- Hatem Naji Fariz
- Hawo Mohamed Hassan
- Heather Elizabeth Coffman
- Henry Dewitt McFarland III
- Hinda Osman Dhirane
- Hoda Muthana (Umm Jihad)
- Hor I. Akl
- Ibraheem Musaibli
- Ibrahim A. Mohammad
- Ikaika Erik Kang
- Imran Rabbani
- Islam Said Natsheh
- Ismaayil Brinsley
- Ismail Alsarabbi
- Issa Doreh
- Iyman Faris
- Izhar Khan
- Jaber Elbaneh
- Jaelyn Delshaun Young
- Jaffrey Khan
- Jalil Ibn Ameer Aziz
- Jamal Bana
- James Cromitie (Abdul Rehman Abdul Rahman)
- James Earnest Thompson (Ujaama Earnest James)
- James Elshafay
- James Gonzalo Medina
- James Ray McElroy
- James W. Von Brunn
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- Jamie Paulin Ramirez
- Jarallah Wasil
- Jared Loughner
- Jason Michael Ludke
- Jayyousi Kifah
- Jeffrey Leon Battle
- Jehad Mostafa (Ahmad Guery and Emir Anwar)
- Jessie Curtis Morton
- Jim David Adkisson
- John Allen Muhammad
- John Georgelas (Yahya Abu Hassan)
- John Patrick Bedell
- John Philip Walker Lindh (Sulayman al-Faris, Abu Sulayman al-Irlandi)
- "John T. Booker Jr. (Muhammed Abdullah Hassan)"
- Jonas M. Edmonds
- José Padilla
- Jose Pimentel (Muhammad Yusuf)
- Joseph Anthony Davis (Abdul-Latif Abu Khalid)
- Joseph Cohen (Yousef Mohamid Al-Khattab)
- Joseph Hassan Farrokh
- Joseph Jeffrey Brice
- Joshua Clough
- Joshua Cummings
- Joshua Matthew Stone
- Joshua Ray Van Haften
- Joshua Ryne Goldberg
- Joshua S. Stafford
- Jude Kenan Mohammad
- Judith L. Bruey
- Justin Kaliebe
- Justin Nojan Sullivan
- Kaan Sercan Damlarkaya
- Kamal Derwish
- Kamal Said Hassan
- Karunakaran Kandasamy (Karuna)
- Kary Kleman
- Keonna Thomas
- Kevin Lamar James
- Kevin William Harpham
- Khaled ad-Dusarii
- Khaled T. Safadi
- Khaled T. Steitiye
- Khaleel Ahmed
- Khalid Ouazzani
- Khalil Abu-Rayyan
- Khwaja Mahmood Hasan
- Kobe Diallo Williams
- Kori Taylor (Kori Ali Muhammad)
- Kristi Goldstein
- Lamont Ranson
- Levar Haley Washington
- Liban Haji Mohamed
- Lionel Nelson Williams (Harun Ash-Shababi)
- Lonnie Vernon
- Lucas Helder
- Luis Portorreal
- Lynn Irene Stewart
- Lynn Wingate
- Maalik Alim Jones
- Maher "Mike" Hawash
- Mahin Khan
- Mahmoud Alessa
- Mahmoud Amin Mohamed Elhassan
- Mahmud Faruq Brent
- Mansour J Arbabsiar (Manssor)
- Marc Harold Ramsey
- Marcos Alonso Zea
- Marie Antoinette Castelli
- Mark Robert Walker
- Marlon Hicks
- Marwan Othman El-Hindi
- Masoud Ahmad Khan
- Matthew Aaron Llaneza
- Mediha Medy Salkicevic
- Michael Finton (Talib Islam)
- Michael Anderson
- Michael Curtis Reynolds (Fritz Mueller)
- Michael Mixon (alias Abdul Tawala Ibn Ali Alishtari)
- Michael Queen
- Michael Todd Wolfe
- Michael Wallace Hardee
- Michelle Marie Bastian
- Moeed Abdul Salam
- Mohamad Jamal Khweis (Abu Omar)
- Mohammad Saeed Kodaimati
- Mohamed Abdi
- Mohamed Abdihamid Farah
- Mohamed Albanna
- Mohamed Amiin Ali Roble
- Mohammad Zaki Amawi
- Mohammed Hamzah Khan
- Mohammed Hesham Youssef (Abu Turab)
- Mohammed Junaid Babar
- Mohammed Mosharref Hossain
- Mohammed Subeh
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- Mohammed Wali Zazi
- Mohammed Yousry
- Mohimanul Bhuiya (Saleh Muhammad)
- Monasser Mosad Omian
- Moner Mohammad Abu Salha
- Moussa Ali Hamdan
- Mubarak Hamed
- Mufid Abdulqader
- Mufid Elfgeeh
- Muhammad Ibrahim Bilal
- Muhanad Mahmoud Al Farekh
- Muktar Al-Bakri
- Munir Abdulkadir Abdulkader
- Munther Omar Saleh
- Mustafa Al-Aboody
- Nachimuthu Socrates
- Nader Elhuzayel
- Nader Saadeh
- Nadia Rockwood
- Nadir Hamid Soofi
- Najibullah Zazi
- Narseal Batiste
- Naser Jason Abdo
- Nasser Aebali (terrorism unlikely)
- Naturalized Citizen Lawwill
- Naveed Afzal Haq
- Nemr Ali Rahal
- Nicholas Alexander Rovinski
- Nicholas Michael Teausant
- Nicholas Young
- Nicole Mansfield
- Nidal Hasan
- Nihad Rosic
- Noelle Velentzas
- Noor Salman
- Numan Maflahi
- October Martinique Lewis
- Oded Orbach
- Omar Ali
- Omar Kattan
- Omar Mir Seddique Mateen
- Omar Shafik Hammami
- Omar Shishani
- Ona Williams
- Parveg Ahmed
- Patrice Lumumba Ford
- Patrick Alan Lawwill
- Paul G. Rockwood Jr
- Paul Hall (Hassan Abu-Jihaad)
- Paul Schlesselman
- Pete Seda (Pirouz Sedaghaty)
- Raees Alam Qazi
- Rafil Dhafir
- Rahatul Ashikim Khan
- Rahmat Abdir
- Rahmo Kodaimati
- Raja Lahrasib Khan
- Ramy Zamzam
- Randall Blue Chapman (Seifullah)
- Randall Garett Cole
- Randall Todd Royer
- Randy Lamar Wilson Jr. (Rasheed)
- Rasel Raihan (Abu Abdullah al-Amriki)
- Rawdah Abdisalaam (Umm Waqqas)
- Ray H. Adams
- Raymond Dillard (Jeff Osborn)
- Reed Stanley Berry
- Rene Wright (Rafiq Sabir)
- Reza Niknejad
- Rezwan Ferdaus
- Richard David Hupper (Piraton)
- Richard Poplawski
- Robel Kidane Phillipos
- Robert Blake Jackson
- Robert Goldstein
- Robert Lorenzo Hester Jr.
- Robert McCullum (Amir Said Abdul Rahman Al-Ghazi)
- Roger Stockham
- Ronald Allen Grecula
- Rothschild Augustine
- Roxanne Laura Kopke
- Ruben Shumpert
- Russel Defreitas
- Russel Dennison (Abdullah Chekdamize)
- Ryan Gibson Anderson
- Sabirhan Hasanoff
- Sabri Benkaha
- Saddam Mohamed Raishani
- Sadik Monasser Omian
- Safya Roe Yassin
- Sahim Alwan
- Said Azzam Mohamad Rahim
- Said Mohamad Harb
- Sajmir Alimehmeti (Abdul Qawii)
- Salah Osman Ahmed
- Saleh Elahwali
- Samantha Marie Elhassani
- Samer el Debek
- Sami Osmake (Abdul Samia)
- Samih Fadl Jamal
- Samir Zafar Khan
- Samuel Baptiste
- Samuel J. Crump
- Samuel Rahamin Topaz
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- Samuel Shannahan
- Samy Mohamed Hamzeh
- Samy Mohammed El-Goarany
- Santos Colon Jr. (Ahmad Shakoor)
- Sari Abdullah al-Kambodi
- Schaeffer Cox
- Sean Andrew Duncan
- Sebastian Gregerson
- Shafal Mosed
- Shaker Masri
- Shannon Maureen Conley
- Sharif Mobley
- Sheheryar Alam Qazi
- Shelton Thomas Bell
- Shirwa Ahmed
- Shivam Patel
- Shueyb Mossa Jokan
- Sinh Vinh Ngo
- Sister of Mohammed Hamzah Khan
- Sixto Ramiro Garcia (Abdullah Ali)
- Sohiel Kabir
- Soufian Amri
- Stanley Grant Phanor
- Sulejmah Hadzovic
- Sultane Roome Salim
- Syed Hashmi (Fahad)
- Syed Rizwan Farook
- Tahmeed Ahmad
- Tairod Webster Pugh
- Talha Haroon
- Tarek Mehanna
- Tarik Dowdell (Tarik Shah)
- Terrence McNeil
- Terry L. Loewen

- Theophilus Burroughs
- Thomas Bastian
- Timothy Loren McCoy Fleming
- Tnuza Jamal Hassan
- Traci Elaine Upshur
- Troy Matthew Kastigar (Abdirahman)
- Umar Chaudhry
- Umar Farooq
- Umer Hayat
- Usaama Abdullah Rahim
- Vincent Armstrong
- Vincente Rafael Pierre (Rafael Upshur)
- Waqar Hassan Khan
- Wasil Farooqui
- Wesam El-Hanafi
- William Krar
- Yahya Goba
- Yasein Taher
- Yaser Esam Hamdi
- Yasith Chhun
- Yehuda Abraham
- Yi Qing Chen
- Yonathan Melaku
- Yong Ki Kwon
- Yosvany Padilla Conde
- Yousef Mohammed Ramadan
- Yusuf Abdirizak Wehelie
- Yusuf Jama
- Yusuf Rodriguez (Abu Maria al-Mexiki)
- Zacharia Yusuf Abdurahman
- Zachary Adam Chesser (Abu Talhah al-Amrikee)
- Zakaria Boyd
- Zakaria Maruf

- Zakaria Abdin
- Zakia Nasrin
- Zale H. Thompson
- Zarein Ahmedzay
- Zeinab Taleb-Jedi
- Ziyad Yaghi
- Zoobia Shahnaz
- Zubair Ahmed
- Zulfi Hoxha ("Abu Hamza al-Amriki")
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Demographics
- Gender
- Age at time of crime (M/F)
- Residence at time of crime (City/State)
- Parents Birth Country
- Citizenship Type (Birth/Nat)
- Top Ethnicities
- Relationship Status (inc. Children)
- Mental Health

Careers
- College Education (STEM)
- Profession
- Social Status
- Military

Allegiance
- Allegiance to Domestic Org.
- Allegiance to International Org.
- Awlaki Influence
- Cells/Partners/Lone Wolf
- Religion and Terrorism

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## Allegiance
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Demographics: Gender and Age

483, 93%
36, 7%

Age of American Terrorists at Time of Crime

Male Ave. = 32 years old
Female Ave. = 35.5 Years old

FEMALE AGES
MALE AGES
Demographics: Terrorism Residence Prior to Arrest

The diagram illustrates the number of terrorism arrests in various states prior to arrest. The states are ranked from highest to lowest with the following numbers of arrests:

- New York (NY): 72
- Virginia (VA): 44
- California (CA): 39
- Minnesota (MN): 36
- Ohio (OH): 35
- Florida (FL): 34
- Texas (TX): 29
- Michigan (MI): 22
- Illinois (IL): 21
- North Carolina (NC): 18
- New Jersey (NJ): 18
- Arizona (AZ): 15
- Washington (WA): 13
- Alabama (AL): 11
- Massachusetts (MA): 9
- Oregon (OR): 9
- Pennsylvania (PA): 8
- Maryland (MD): 6
- Colorado (CO): 6
- Georgia (GA): 6
- Missouri (MO): 5
- Alaska (AK): 5
- Arkansas (AR): 5
- Wisconsin (WI): 5

The states are listed at the bottom of the image with corresponding bars showing the number of arrests.
Top 10 Cities Where Terrorists Resided Prior to Arrest

1. New York City, NY - 42
2. Minneapolis, MN - 32
3. Chicago, IL - 15
4. Columbus, OH - 12
5. Miami, FL - 12
6. Cleveland, OH - 10
7. Falls Church, VA - 10
8. Detroit, MI - 9
9. Houston, TX - 9
10. Lackawanna, NY - 9
Demographics: Parents Birth Country & Citizenship

PARENT'S HOME COUNTRY

USA: 170
SOMALIA: 40
PAKISTAN: 30
YEMEN: 21
EGYPT: 16
PALESTINE: 14
JORDAN: 11
AFGHANISTAN: 10
LEBANON: 10
SYRIA: 9
INDIA: 8
BANGLADESH: 7
IRAQ: 7
IRAN: 6
SUDAN: 6
BOSNIA: 5
WEST BANK: 4
ETHIOPIA: 3
KUWAIT: 3
SAUDI ARABIA: 3
CAMBODIA: 2
DOMINICAN: 2
KOSOVO: 2
Demographics: Parents Birth Country & Citizenship

Countries <2 U.S. terrorists are not included.

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Demographics: Top Ethnicities

ETNICITY OF AMERICAN BORN TERRORISTS

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Demographics: Mental Health

Only 11% (58 of 519) of the American males convicted of acts related to terrorism were diagnosed with mental illness.
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The U.S. government does not formally designate domestic terrorist organizations.
Claiming an affiliation to a domestic terror organization is not illegal.
Therefore, it may not be illegal to give money or other forms of material support to a domestic terrorist group, even if the group is known for its violence and hatred of others.

The First Amendment protects the right of people to associate with each other and to express their points of view.
Fifty-Five of the Americans charged with acts related to terrorism self identifies as members in one of following groups. **Political:** Antigovernment (AG) which includes Sovereign Citizens Movement (SCM) members; The Revolution Peoples Group (RPC); National Socialist Movement (NSM); Hutaree (HUT); and two right wing groups, the Nazi party (Nazi) and the militias, in this case the Alabama Free Militia (AFM). **Ideology:** White Supremacy (also includes the Nazi and NSM members) and the Jewish Defense League. **Religion:** The Jam’iyyat Ul-Ilam Is-Saheeh (JIS).
Islamic State of Iraq and Syria (ISIS/ISIL), Al-Qaeda (AQ), Al-Shabaab (AS), Taliban (T), Lashkar-e-Tayyiba (LT), Hezbollah (Hez), Nusra Front or Jabhat al-Nusra (AN), Jaish-e-Mohammed (JeM), Hamas (H), Al-Qaida in the Arabian Peninsula (AQAP), Pakistan Taliban (PT), Al Fuqra (AF), Abu Sayyaf Group (ASG), Al-Qaeda in Iraq (AQI), Tamil Tigers (TT), Al Haramain Islamic Foundation (AHIF), Ansar al-Islam (AI), and the Iranian Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC).
Allegiance: Jamaat ul-Fuqra Organization

Jamaat ul-Fuqra is an organization of mostly African-American Muslims based in Pakistan and the United States. **Founder:** Mubarak Ali Gilani

“al-Fuqra was organized into independent terrorist cells. An avowed enemy of the Nation of Islam, al-Fuqra has been linked by U.S. officials to 17 homicides and 13 firebombings in the United States. Its targets were usually other minorities or rival Muslim leaders.” (Southern Poverty Law Center SPLC)
18% of the American males convicted of acts related to terrorism were in possession of CDs, email correspondence, or were found with Awlaki YouTube videos in their internet history.
Allegiance: Cells/Partners/Lone Wolf

- 2003 Virginia Jihad Cell (9 Members)
- Alaska Cell (5 Members)
- Boston Terror Cell (3 Members)
- Columbus Terror Cell (4 Members)
- D.C. Five or Pakistani Five Cell (5 Members)
- Florida cell (5 Members)
- Fort Dix plot (6 Members)
- ISIS NY Cell (3 Members)
- JDL Florida Cell (4 Members)
- Jihadist Cell/ISIS (3 Members)
- Lackawanna Six or Buffalo Six Cell (6 Members)
- Miami Liberty Seven Cell (7 Members)
- Newburgh Four (Prison Cell, 4 Members)
- NY Terror Cell (5 Members)
- The Portland Seven cell (7 Members)
- Toledo Terror Cell (6 Members)
- Torrance Four/Jam’iyyat Ul-Islam Is-Saheeh (JIS) (Prison Cell, 3 Members)
Allegiance: Religion and Terrorism

- 52% Raised Muslim
- 29% Converted to Islam
- 19% Not Muslim

Legend:
- Not Muslim
- Raised Muslim
- Converted to Islam
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### College Educated

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### S.T.E.M. Education

- STEM: 64%
- Not STEM: 36%

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**Careers: Social Status**

**Male Social Class**
- Working class: 107
- Upper Class/Professional: 41
- Unemployed: 36
- Middle Class: 24
- Prisoner: 17
- Low Class: 4

**Female Social Class**
- Working class: 5
- Student: 5
- Professional/Upper Class: 3
- Homemaker: 1
- Unemployed: 1
- Middle Class: 1
The years of service ranged from 1942 – 2017.

45% of the crimes occurred between 0 and 5 years from exiting the service.

88% served as enlisted members.

Despite a future violent outcome, 30% of these individuals received an honorable discharge at the time they left the military.

75% of these individuals converted to Islam.

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Military Terrorists (N=40) 8%

Why?

- Sign on bonus for military-only jobs, so they are unprepared for civilian life.
- Military take care of their people with a home, job, food, so they can succeed without money management skills.
- Transition from military to civilian life is difficult. The sense of brotherhood, comradery, and community is gone.
- War experience can leave them with PTSD or other mental illnesses. They may be checked more frequently than civilians.
- Marriage Incentives. Extra pay means they may marry with less commitment.

- combat engineer
- infantry
- patriot missile
- rifleman
- signalman
- supply specialist
- tank crew member

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Our Study
American citizens with military experience charged and/or convicted of acts related to terrorism. n=40

FBI Report
active shooters with military service
n=13

Affiliation (%)
- Army: 54%
- Marines: 18%
- Navy: 3%
- Air Force: 25%
- Coast Guard: 8%

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Behind Bars: Official Charges (Top 12)

- Murder
- Money Laundering
- Terrorism
- Making False Statements
- Conspire to Levy War Against the US
- Obstruction of Justice
- Material Support
- WMD/CBRNe (inc. bomb)
- Attempt to join a terror org
- Attempt murder/Conspire to kill (murder)
- Assault
- Weapons
Terror Crimes Involving Violence. While the definition include threat by violence a remarkable 71% are not using violence when committed the acts that got them charged.
Behind Bars: FBI Involvement

- Yes: 60%
- No: 40%
Behind Bars: Sentencing (terrorists that did not kill or injure)

Male Terrorists Sentencing

Average Sentence: 13 years

Female Terrorist Sentencing

Average Sentence: 8 years
Behind Bars: Terrorism Camps

Terror Camp Locations

- Saudi Arabia
- Libya
- Lebanon
- Yemen
- Afghanistan
- Afghanistan/Pakistan
- Somalia
- Pakistan
- Syria

Only 5 women attended training camps, all in Syria.

- Attended: 28%
- Did not attend: 72%
Behind Bars: The Terrorist’s Targets

American Terrorists Top Targets

- Military Service Personnel: 25
- Public Places: 22
- Military Installations: 17
- Law Enforcement: 16
- Bridges: 11
- Govt. Fed Building: 10
- Govt Officials: 9
- Jewish Targets: 8
- Subways: 5
- FBI: 5
- Islamic targets: 4
- Famous People: 4
- GLBT Community: 1
- Church: 1
- Nuclear Power Plant: 1
Behind Bars: Weapons of Choice

Compare Military and Non-Military Terrorist Weapons Use.

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- None: 120
- Explosives: 66
- Firearms: 54
- Knife: 8
- Aircraft: 2
- Car: 1
- Missle: 1
## Learning Objectives

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| • Speak with confidence on several aspects of terrorism in the United States.  
• Educate others on the true aspects of terrorism and terrorists, based on real data/statistics. | • Recognize and appropriately respond to potential threats related to terrorism, including the subtle signs.  
• Summarize and apply the fundamentals of terrorism to other aspects of violent behaviors. | • Recommend a strategy based on your interpretation of the data presented and communicate that strategy with others.  
• Identify markers of a developing extremist and the tools to help steer them down a better path. |
Questions?