

# Drone Incident in the United States January 1, 2021, until Present

April 26, 2025

Green Bay, Wisconsin, USA

Stadiums and Arenas

Harassment and Nuisance

Police reported multiple unauthorized drone flights during the NFL Draft.

April 4, 2025

Detroit, Michigan, USA

Stadiums and Arenas

Harassment and Nuisance

During the Detroit Tigers' home opener, a drone was flown into Comerica Park approximately 30 minutes after the first pitch.

March 31, 2025

West Sacramento, California, USA

Stadiums and Arenas

Harassment and Nuisance

A drone interrupted the seventh inning of a game between the Chicago Cubs and the Oakland Athletics at Sutter Health Park before being caught by the Athletics' bat boy.

January 27, 2025

Darke and Mercer Counties, Ohio, USA

National Security and Homeland Security

Harassment and Nuisance

Hundreds of drone sightings reported in Mercer and Darke Counties.

January 25, 2025, Bowie, Maryland, USA,

VIP Protection, Harassment and Nuisance

Two F-16 fighter jets and a Coast Guard helicopter were scrambled to intercept a potential drone flying near Freeway Airport, causing President Trump's backup aircraft to delay landing at Joint Base Andrews.

January 13, 2025, Washington D.C, USA

Landmarks and Govt Buildings, Harassment and Nuisance

Representative Marjorie Taylor Greene reported that her flight was diverted to Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport due to unauthorized drone activity near the White House.

January 11, 2025, Baltimore, Maryland, USA

Stadiums and Arenas, Harassment and Nuisance

For the third time in two years, a drone paused a Ravens game at M&T Bank Stadium during the third quarter of their home playoff game against the Pittsburgh Steelers.

December 14, 2024, Salem County, New Jersey, USA

Critical Facilities and Infrastructure, Harassment and Nuisance

A drone was sighted near PSE&G's Salem and Hope Creek Nuclear Generating Stations.

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December 6, 2024, Clinton Township, New Jersey, USA

Critical Facilities and Infrastructure, Harassment and Nuisance

Suspicious drone activity was confirmed near the Round Valley Reservoir, the state's largest water reservoir.

December 5, 2024, Staten Island, New York, USA

Critical Facilities and Infrastructure, Harassment and Nuisance

Mysterious drones near the Goethals Bridge have led to requests for federal assistance and temporary flight restrictions as investigations continue into similar sightings across New Jersey.

November 2, 2024, Nashville, Tennessee, USA

Critical Facilities and Infrastructure, Attack

A man was arrested for allegedly planning to attack a Nashville power substation using a drone equipped with C-4 explosives and pipe bombs, as part of a neo-Nazi-inspired plot.

September 28, 2024, Tuscaloosa, Alabama, USA

Stadiums and Arenas, VIP Protection, Harassment and Nuisance

During President Trump's attendance at the Georgia and Alabama Football Game, a total of four drones were fended off, and one drone was safely sent to the river for mitigation.

September 4, 2024, Detroit, Michigan, USA

Stadiums and Arenas, Harassment and Nuisance

Green Day's concert at Comerica Park was interrupted for about 10 minutes when the band rushed off stage due to safety concerns after a drone was spotted flying over the venue.

August 9, 2024, Blaine, Washington, USA

Critical Facilities and Infrastructure, Espionage & ISR

Federal officials are investigating reports of illegal drone activity around BP Cherry Point Refinery in Whatcom County.

July 20, 2024, Brownsville, Texas, USA

Critical Facilities and Infrastructure, Harassment and Nuisance

A SpaceX tourist was arrested and charged for flying an unauthorized drone over the launch site, despite claiming ignorance of the restriction.

July 13, 2024, Butler, Pennsylvania, USA

VIP Protection, Espionage & ISR

Thomas Matthew Crooks, the gunman who attempted to assassinate former president Donald Trump, used a drone to scout the Butler Farm Show grounds before the rally.

April 15, 2024, Boston, Massachusetts, USA

Stadiums and Arenas, Harassment and Nuisance

A 30-year-old man was charged with unlawfully flying a drone in restricted airspace near the Boston Marathon finish line.

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January 28, 2024, Baltimore, Maryland, USA  
Stadiums and Arenas, Harassment and Nuisance

An unauthorized drone prompted the NFL to briefly pause the AFC Championship game between the Kansas City Chiefs and Baltimore Ravens after it was spotted near M&T Bank Stadium.

November 16, 2023, Baltimore, Maryland, USA  
Stadiums and Arenas, Harassment and Nuisance

Unauthorized drones caused two delays during the Ravens vs. Bengals NFL game at Baltimore's M&T Bank Stadium.

November 16, 2023, Baltimore, Maryland, USA  
Stadiums and Arenas, Harassment and Nuisance

Four additional unauthorized drones were intercepted during the Ravens vs. Bengals NFO game at M&T Bank Stadium.

October 19, 2023, Arlington, Texas, USA  
Stadiums and Arenas, Harassment and Nuisance

Man charged with violating national defense airspace for flying a drone near Globe Life Field during Game 4 of the American League Championship Series between the Texas Rangers and the Houston Astros.

October 7, 2023, Columbus, Ohio, USA  
Stadiums and Arenas, Harassment and Nuisance

An unauthorized drone over Ohio Stadium caused a delay and player evacuation during a Saturday game between Ohio State and Maryland.

August 26, 2023, Boston, Massachusetts, USA  
Stadiums and Arenas, Harassment and Nuisance

A drone's intrusion into the stadium and its low flight over the field during the second-quarter kickoff of a UMass college football game against New Mexico State resulted in a game delay.

June 15, 2023, Safford, Arizona, USA  
Critical Facilities and Infrastructure, Collision or Near Collision

Safford's power grid was temporarily interrupted by an "errant drone" strike.

May 7, 2023, Miami, Florida, USA  
Stadiums and Arenas, Harassment and Nuisance

During the inaugural Formula 1 Miami Grand Prix, an individual violated FAA regulations by operating an unregistered drone, leading to an \$18,200 fine

April 20, 2023, North Augusta, South Carolina, USA  
Stadiums and Arenas, Harassment and Nuisance

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Unauthorized drones flew over SRP Park twice during an Augusta GreenJackets baseball game, causing a 10-minute delay in play. The FAA is investigating the incident that caused all players, coaches, and umpires to clear the field.

February 21, 2023, St. Charles Parish, Louisiana, USA  
Critical Facilities and Infrastructure, Espionage & ISR

Two Brooklyn men were arrested for illegally flying a drone over Dow Chemical, Linde, and American Air Liquide chemical plants. The incident is being investigated by the FBI.

October 15, 2022, San Diego, California, USA  
Stadiums and Arenas, Harassment and Nuisance

In the 7th inning of a Dodger-Padres playoff game, a drone dipped near the playing field, causing umpires to halt the game for several minutes.

September 28, 2022, Washington, D.C., USA  
Landmarks and Govt Buildings, Harassment and Nuisance

The North Lawn of the White House was partially evacuated and a brief lockdown was enacted following the entry of a drone.

September 25, 2022, Seattle, Washington, USA  
Stadiums and Arenas, Harassment and Nuisance

The Seattle Seahawks and Atlanta Falcons football game was delayed by 8 minutes because of an unauthorized drone over Lumen Field.

September 24, 2022, Columbus, Ohio, USA  
Stadiums and Arenas, Harassment and Nuisance

A man who flew his drone over Ohio Stadium was charged with flying a drone without a valid license.

September 24, 2022, Seattle, Washington, USA  
Stadiums and Arenas, Harassment and Nuisance

A rogue drone over Husky Stadium caused a 10-15 minute delay in the Washington Huskies vs Stanford Cardinals college football game.

July 29, 2022, Louisiana, USA  
Critical Facilities and Infrastructure, Espionage & ISR

Following multiple sightings of drones over Louisiana chemical facilities and a pipeline over the past year and a half, the FBI issued an alert warning of potential espionage and terrorism. In the latest incident, multiple drones were spotted flying several feet above a Louisiana chemical plant.

July 16, 2022, Bronx, New York, USA  
Stadiums and Arenas, Harassment and Nuisance

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The NYPD is investigating a drone that hovered above Yankee Stadium's right field for about 15 minutes during the Yankees' 14-1 win over the Boston Red Sox.

April 12, 2022, Cincinnati, Ohio, USA

Stadiums and Arenas, Harassment and Nuisance

A man was charged with illegally flying his drone into the Great American Ballpark on opening day of the Cincinnati Reds NFL season.

February 13, 2022, Inglewood, California, USA

Stadiums and Arenas, Harassment and Nuisance

Two individuals operated drones near SoFi Stadium during Super Bowl LVI, resulting in proposed fines of \$16,000 and \$4,000, respectively from the FAA.

January 15, 2022, Cincinnati, Ohio, USA

Stadiums and Arenas, Harassment and Nuisance

A drone was illegally flown into Paul Paycor Stadium during an NFL playoff game hosted by the Bengals.

January 15, 2022, Cincinnati, Ohio, USA

Stadiums and Arenas, Harassment and Nuisance

In an unauthorized video uploaded to YouTube of a Bengals football game, a drone was seen flying illegally into the stadium during the game, around 20 feet above the field and in front of spectators.

November 5, 2021, Hanksville, Utah, USA

Critical Facilities and Infrastructure, Harassment and Nuisance

Astronauts at the Mars Desert Research Station are being interrupted by drones that are intruding on their research

November 4, 2021, Pennsylvania, USA

Critical Facilities and Infrastructure, Attack

According to the FBI, the July, 2020 crash of a drone near a Pennsylvania electricity substation was the first time a modified unmanned aircraft system was used to target an energy infrastructure in the United States.

August 24, 2021, Los Alamos, New Mexico, USA

Critical Facilities and Infrastructure, Harassment and Nuisance

The Los Alamos National Laboratory, a high-security facility with nuclear materials, issued a warning to drone operators.

August 2, 2021, New York, New York, USA

Landmarks and Govt Buildings, Collision or Near Collision

A drone crashed through a 52nd floor window of 7 World Trade Center and became stuck in the building's exterior. The pilot was arrested.

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June 2, 2021, Albuquerque, New Mexico, USA

Landmarks and Govt Buildings, Harassment and Nuisance

A rally for a New Mexico mayoral candidate was interrupted when a drone carrying a sex toy flew next to the stage.

March 8, 2021, Louisiana, USA

Critical Facilities and Infrastructure, Espionage & ISR

A drone was spotted flying near a pipeline. Police discovered that the drone was being used to take pictures when they found the operator.

February 11, 2021, USA

Stadiums and Arenas, Harassment and Nuisance

"MLB saw **five games interrupted by rogue drones in 2020**. That's a record high for a league that says it generally sees just one or two such incidents a year..." - Sports Illustrated

February 6, 2021, Tampa, Florida, USA

Stadiums and Arenas, Harassment and Nuisance

The Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office responded to nearly 70 drone intrusions into no-fly zones around Super Bowl events.

February 6, 2021, Tampa, Florida, USA

Stadiums and Arenas, Harassment and Nuisance

Federal agents have accused a man of flying a drone into protected air space this week in violation of Super Bowl security restrictions in Tampa.

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<https://d-fendsolutions.com/drone-incident-tracker/>