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FB-ISAO Current Threat Level

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**Elevated**

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# FB-ISAO Newsletter

## 2024 Threat Data Review

The Faith-Based Information Sharing and Analysis Organizations (FB-ISAO) provides members with regular reporting on incidents directed at, and affecting, Faith-Based Organizations (FBOs) throughout the year. Our incident reporting is derived from numerous sources including open-source reporting shared in the FB-ISAO Slack workspace as well as from our public and private partners at the federal, state, and local levels. This reporting can help organizations understand and prepare for the various threats and risks that they may face. In 2024, we recorded 841 attacks on Houses of Worship.

Members were briefed on the findings on May 7 2025. The recording of the session is available on FB-ISAO Slack in the #fb-isao\_recordings channel. If you are not a member, [join now](#) to access the recording. The briefing covered the following areas of concern:



- Attacks on individual faiths
- Monthly distribution of attacks
- Location of attacks
- The most common types of attack (e.g. vandalism, arson etc.) and how they vary by target affiliation
- Implications that can be drawn from the data

Below are key findings from the briefing.

- Protestant churches were the most frequently attacked, with 415 incidents – nearly half (49%) of all attacks nationwide.
- Jewish, Catholic, and Muslim institutions continued to face disproportionately high threat levels. Though these groups make up a relatively small (<10%) percentage of U.S. houses of worship, they were collectively targeted in nearly 50% of all incidents.
- Firearms were involved in 13% of incidents.
- The majority of serious threats in late 2023 came in the form of bomb threats and swatting, which require no proximity to the target and offer minimal risk of detection for the perpetrator. While these dropped significantly in 2024, they remain a core part of the threat environment, particularly for Jewish and Catholic institution.

An advisory, with more details from the briefing, was sent to members on 21 May 2025. The FB-ISAO will publish a robust report in the late summer / early fall of 2025.

And finally, for reference, our 2023 report can be [accessed here](#).

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Visit the [events page](#) for a complete listing of FB-ISAO events.



## Outlook for June

June is widely recognized as LGBTQ+ Pride Month, commemorating the resistance to discrimination and the pursuit of equality that began with the Stonewall events in 1969. Pride events now take place globally and include celebrations, educational activities, and peaceful demonstrations advocating for LGBTQ+ rights. FB-ISAO assesses that while the month will be largely peaceful and do not expect significant security incidents (though a large-scale hostile event can't be ruled out,) there is the potential for small scale violence or incidents at LGBTQ+ events and/or targeting LGBTQ+ associated individuals and organizations.

Separately, it should also be considered that LGBTQ+ supporters may target organizations, to include FBOs who may oppose LGBTQ+ rights, for protests and demonstrations.

It is also possible, and more likely in what could be seen in the more politically charged environment, that there may be counterprotests and demonstrations against LGBTQ+ rights.



Faith-Based Organizations can balance openness and inclusivity with pragmatic security measures, helping to protect people and property while respecting diverse perspectives during Pride Month and other socially sensitive periods.

Access the FB-ISAO [Resource Library](#) for more information and a list of resources for reference.



## Spotlight: FB-ISAO Featured by Christian Warrior Training

On May 23, 2025, Keith Garves, owner of Christian Warrior Training wrote a blog post about FB-ISAO. [Christian Warrior Training](#) is the brainchild of [Keith Graves](#), a 29-year police officer and 20-year SWAT Team veteran with extensive experience in narcotics investigations, training, and leadership. Drawing on his expertise and passion for protecting communities, Keith created Christian Warrior Training to empower churches with the knowledge and tools they need to create a safe and secure environment for their members. The blog post can be [accessed here](#).

Our members are our  best and biggest  asset. Working side by side, security practitioners who are dedicated to the idea of **Protecting and Securing the Free Practice of Faith** come together to collaborate and share ideas.