

## Drone Warfare & US Military Presence Worldwide

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Number of Drone Attacks increased from Bush to Obama to Trump - Pentagon secrecy as to number of attacks, in which countries, how many killed, number of innocents killed etc.

Lack of Mainstream Media reporting - info obtainable from Antiwar.com, Democracynow.org, The Intercept, Truthdig, TomDispatch, Nick Turse/Vice News, Matt Taibbi et al. MSNBC barely mentioned Drones in approx one year of reporting. PBS has covered the Drone situation.

**Where are the attacks being carried out?** Syria, Somalia, Afghanistan, Pakistan, Libya, Yemen, Palestine, Iraq, Philippines and other countries on African Continent.

US drones operating out of:-

Afghanistan	Italy	Qatar	U.A.E.	* 10 on African
*Burkino Faso	Kuwait	Saudi Arabia	Uzbekistan	Continent
Jordan	*Mauretania	Seychelles	Jordan	
*Chad	*Niger	*Somalia	Syria	
*Djibouti	Pakistan	*Tunisia	*Mali	(23)
*Ethiopia	Philippines	Turkey		

**Chad** taken off banned Muslim countries' list as US has been supposedly granted permission to build a Drone Base in Chad.

**Why are they being carried out?** Power of the Military Industrial Complex. United Technologies, Raytheon, General Dynamics, Northrop Grumman, Boeing, Lockheed Martin. Control over Politicians.

No boots on the ground. No soldiers being killed. Public mostly unaware of the death and destruction. Misguided foreign policy. Creating more and more hatred and "blowback". Achieving no positive results. US should have neither Troops, Aircraft nor Drones operating in any of the countries the US is destroying. War Crimes and Complicity in the Refugee Crisis. How would we react if American innocents were being killed by other countries' Drones?

**How are the attacks carried out?** 64 Drone Command Centers in USA with all signals going through Ramstein AFB in Germany to the operating bases abroad - see list of US overseas operating bases above.

US Drone Command Centers in USA - Total 64 including 15 in CA, 6 in TX, 3 in NY (Fort Drum, Syracuse and Griffis AFB), 2 in PA (Horsham and Fort Indiantown Gap), 1 in NJ (Fort Dix).

Killing known innocents called "Bug Splat" by operators - many innocents killed in addition to a terrorist or militant. Militant not a terrorist but a boy/man aged 16 or older. About 50 innocents killed for every supposed terrorist. Term "Double Tap" when first responders also killed.

Villagers suffer from PTSD with Drone circling for hours - Operators also have PTSD.

Drone slaughter is part of the US complicity in the Refugee Crisis. Creating massive flow of Refugees from all countries being attacked by USA.

**What can we do?** Spread the word. Join the CFPA, write letters to the Press, Demos and Vigils, Contact Congressmen, Lobbying in DC, Make friends aware of the evilness of our actions. Attempt to get Congressmen to stop the slaughter and prevent "Blowback".

### **Countries known to be operating Armed Drones**

China - 5 types? V. long range/endurance.	Pakistan	Turkey (USA)
France	UK	
India	USA	
Iran & Houthis	Saudi Arabia	
ISIS?	UAE	
Al Qaeda?	Jordan	
Israel	Russia	
Italy	Syria	

- China has been supplying Drones to Saudi Arabia and the U.A.E. for the slaughter of innocents in Yemen. US is using its own Drones in Yemen - mainly launched from across the Red Sea in Djibouti.

US Military presence in at least 50 of 54 countries on the African Continent.

Ramstein (all Drone signals) largest base in Europe if not the World. US has 37 military bases in Germany - approx 1000 around the world in 150 countries. 1.3M US troops worldwide.

Approx 15,000 troops in Afghanistan, 7,000 troops in Iraq and 2,000 in Syria.

US Military Bases in the Middle East - Syria (8), Djibouti (1), Jordan (1), Libya (1), Afghanistan (approx 260 with 4 Drone bases), Iraq (12), Yemen (various SAR?), UAE, Oman, Bahrain (6th Fleet), Kuwait, Qatar (Largest Base in Middle East - 10,000 US Personnel)..

China has one base outside China - Djibouti (also a US base).

Instead of building military bases around the world and destroying countries, China is investing in other countries' infrastructures as far afield as the ex-French colony in West Africa - Senegal. The Headquarters of the African Union in Addis Ababa in Ethiopia was built by the Chinese.

Russia has 7 bases in ex-Soviet bloc countries but only 2 in other countries. Syria (Tartus - Treaty since 1980) and in Cam Ranh Bay in Vietnam - Navy in 2013 and Air Force in 2014. Cam Ranh Bay is an ex USN base!

Defence Budget in 2019 - **\$717 Billion.**

Discretionary Budget - \$1.2 Trillion **Defence Budget is approx 60% of Discretionary Budget.**

Discretionary Budget does not include cost of current wars/VA/missing Ordnance etc.

Over 2 year period, Pentagon spent additional \$21 Billion on Defence - "Other Transaction Authority" - (OTA).

**Total Military Spending in 2019 - \$886 Billion.**