

NAF VIOLENCE AND DISRUPTION STATISTICS

INCIDENTS OF VIOLENCE & DISRUPTION AGAINST ABORTION PROVIDERS IN THE U.S. & CANADA

VIOLENCE	1977-94	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	TOTAL
Murder ¹	5	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	8
Attempted Murder	11	1	1	2	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17
Bombing ¹	29	1	2	6	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	42
Arson ¹	124	14	3	8	4	8	2	2	1	3	2	2	0	2	0	0	0	1	5	0	181
Attempted Bomb/Arson ¹	64	1	4	2	5	1	3	2	0	0	1	6	4	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	99
Invasion	347	4	0	7	5	3	4	2	1	0	0	0	4	7	6	1	0	0	0	8	399
Vandalism	585	31	29	105	46	63	56	58	60	48	49	83	72	59	45	40	22	27	12	5	1495
Trespassing	0	0	0	0	0	193	81	144	163	66	67	633	336	122	148	104	45	69	47	264	2482
Butyric Acid Attacks	80	0	1	0	19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	100
Anthrax/Bioterrorism Threats	0	0	0	0	12	35	30	554	23	0	1	0	0	1	3	2	1	1	0	0	663
Assault & Battery	95	2	1	9	4	2	7	2	1	7	8	8	11	12	6	9	4	3	7	0	198
Death Threats	225	41	13	11	25	13	9	14	3	7	4	10	10	13	2	16	2	2	6	2	428
Kidnapping	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Burglary	34	3	6	6	6	4	5	6	1	9	5	11	30	12	7	12	13	8	5	0	183
Stalking ²	200	61	52	67	13	13	17	10	12	3	15	8	6	19	19	1	7	1	6	20	550
TOTAL	1801	159	112	223	144	336	215	795	265	143	152	761	474	249	237	187	95	114	88	299	6849
DISRUPTION																					
Hate Mail/Harassing Calls	1833	255	605	2829	915	1646	1011	404	230	432	453	515	548	522	396	1699	404	365	452	420	15934
Email/Internet Harassment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	70	51	77	25	38	44	16	44	17	41	88	535
Hoax Device/Susp. Package	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	41	13	9	16	17	23	24	17	8	2	7	2	179
Bomb Threats	311	41	13	79	31	39	20	31	7	17	13	11	7	6	13	4	12	1	1	4	661
Picketing ⁴	7768	1356	3932	7518	8402	8727	8478	9969	10241	11348	11640	13415	13505	11113	12503	8388	6347	4780	5706	5574	170710
Obstruction ⁵																			79	396	475
TOTAL	9912	1652	4550	10426	9348	10412	9509	10404	10543	11880	12166	14034	14102	11702	12980	10124	6815	5165	6286	6484	188494
CLINIC BLOCKADES																					
Number of Incidents	634	5	7	25	2	3	4	2	4	10	34	4	13	7	8	1	1	5	6	3	778
Number of Arrests ³	33661	54	65	29	16	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	0	0	0	4	1	33839

All numbers represent incidents reported to or obtained by NAF. Actual incidents are likely much higher. Tabulation of trespassing began in 1999 and tabulation of email harassment and hoax devices began in 2002.

^{1.} Incidents recorded are those classified as such by the appropriate law enforcement agency. Incidents that were ruled inconclusive or accidental are not included.

^{2.} Stalking is defined as the persistent following, threatening, and harassing of an abortion provider, staff member, or patient away from the clinic. Tabulation of stalking incidents began in 1993.

^{3.} The "number of arrests" represents the total number of arrests, not the total number of persons arrested. Many blockaders are arrested multiple times.

^{4.} NAF changed its method of collecting this data in 2011.

^{5.} Tabulation of Obstruction began in 2012. Obstruction is defined as the act of causing a delay or an attempt to cause a delay in the conduct of buisness or prevent persons from entering or exiting an area. This would apply to violations of the FACE Act.