MISSION

To increase regional and national situational awareness by collecting, analyzing, and disseminating information and intelligence products to assist U.S. federal agents, investigators from state, local, tribal, and military departments, and international partners in preventing violent crime and acts of terrorism. These products use statistical and technical information, as well as analysis trends related to the criminal use of explosives and arson.

1976

ATF began collecting, storing, and analyzing records on arson and explosive related incidents.

2004

The Attorney General mandated that all Department of Justice arson and explosive related incidents be consolidated in a single database, known as BATS.

BATS

Bomb Arson Tracking System

- 12,600 active users
- 2,600 inter-agency partners
- Information about 490,000+ arson and explosive related incidents
- Mobile BATS (mBATS): Allowing real-time reporting of incidents into this secure national database

NETC

National Explosives Tracing Center

- Partnerships with Defense and Explosives industry aid in tracing recovered explosives
- Trace back to point of origin, including interstate movement and international commerce.

USBDC also collects, monitors, and maintains information about the theft and loss of explosive materials in coordination with U.S. law enforcement agencies and disseminates security alerts to U.S. law enforcement partners.

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