



# WHITE SUPREMACISTS

## Background

- White supremacists are extremists who believe in the inherent superiority of the white race. They seek to establish dominance over non-whites through violence.
- There are five major subgroups within the white supremacist movement, including neo-Nazis, racist skinheads, "traditional" white supremacists, Christian Identity members, and prison gangs. White supremacist prison gangs accept recruits from any of these subgroups to bolster their membership. Additionally, white supremacists have developed ties to the outlaw motorcycle gang subculture due to significant overlap in ideology and criminal interest.
- White supremacists recruit through diverse means, such as leafletting, racist music, social events, and online recruitment.



*Nationalist Socialist Movement protester at the Statehouse in Trenton in 2011*

## Threat to New Jersey: Moderate

*White supremacist groups continue to demonstrate a propensity for violence, lack of organization, and diverse recruitment methods.*

- In 2011, two members of the Aryan Terror Brigade and a member of the Atlantic City Skins assaulted two Middle-Eastern men in Sayreville (Middlesex County). The Anti-Defamation League (ADL) identified that 77% of extremist-related murders in the US since 2005 involved white supremacists.
- Lone offenders represent the most likely perpetrators of white supremacist violence. In June 2015, Dylann Roof killed nine individuals at a church in Charleston, South Carolina. His manifesto stated the lack of violent organized white supremacist activity as a motivating factor for his attack.
- In 2015, white supremacist organizations attempted to recruit members on at least six occasions in Bergen, Burlington, Middlesex, and Monmouth counties by distributing leaflets in neighborhoods.



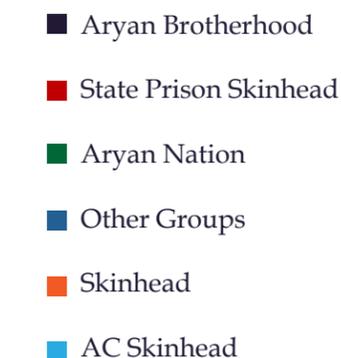
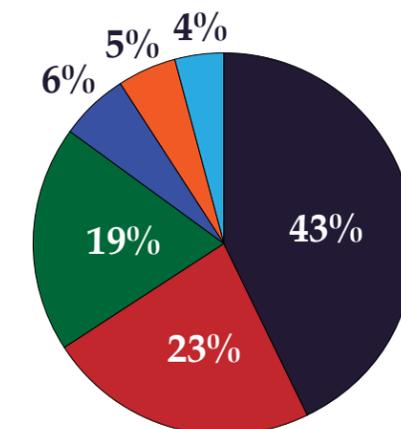
## Intelligence Gaps

- What sociological, political, or economical changes may embolden white supremacists?
- Of the white supremacist groups identified in New Jersey, how many members are in each of these groups and how active are they?

## New Jersey Nexus

- A NJOHSP survey to all counterterrorism coordinators in New Jersey identified white supremacists' presence in 9 of 21 counties over the last year. Groups include Atlantic City Skinheads, Advanced White Society, Aryan Nation, League of American Patriots, Blood and Honour USA/Combat18/Aryan Strike Force/Aryan Terror Brigade, the Hammerskins, Ku Klux Klan, National Socialist Movement, Sharp Skins, Skinheads, and the White Aryan Resistance.
- In April 2011, between 50 and 100 white supremacists attended a National Socialist Movement rally at the Statehouse in Trenton. The demonstrators were outnumbered by counter-protesters, which included members from the New Black Panther Party and the anarchist Anti-Racist Action Network.
- As of December 2015, the New Jersey Department of Corrections (DOC) has over 245 white supremacist intelligence files, most of whom are released offenders identified during their incarceration. Many associate with the State Prison Skinheads and the Aryan Brotherhood.

**White Supremacists Membership Identified by NJ DOC: Incarcerated and Released Offenders**



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