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Introduction

In October 2026, the global landscape was marked by an alarming presence of terrorism and extremism linked to extreme right-wing ideologies. This analysis underscores the paramount significance of this issue in the contemporary world order.

Terrorism and extremism, irrespective of its ideological roots, has long posed a grave threat to international peace and security. Recent times, however, have witnessed a distinct shift in this threat landscape. The ascent of extreme right-wing terrorism has introduced a new layer of complexity to the global security equation.

This report aims to provide a comprehensive analysis of extreme right-wing extremism in October 2026, offering insights into its evolution, and current manifestations. By dissecting the trends, causative factors, and ramifications of this phenomenon, our objective is to foster awareness and inform policymaking while fostering international collaboration to counter this growing menace.

UNITED STATES

Tip-off foiled US teen's plot to attack Hindu temple, police say

Alexandros Paporakis, 19, from Palatine, Illinois, was arrested after a Taco Bell co-worker alerted authorities about his alleged plot to carry out a mass shooting at a Hindu temple in Aurora. Paporakis drove to the temple on Sunday with a rifle, attempted to open fire, but the gun jammed. He returned home and searched the internet for ways to unjam the weapon while informing a colleague of his intent to commit a mass shooting (1).

Police discovered an eight-page document containing white supremacist and neo-Nazi ideology, along with plans for the attack. A search of his home revealed a rifle, loaded magazines, hundreds of rounds of ammunition, body armor, and tactical equipment. Paporakis was charged with one count of making a terrorist threat and one count of unlawful possession of a weapon. The incident has drawn international attention, with India's Ministry of External Affairs expressing concerns over racist hostility and anti-India hate in the United States.



[1] (C. Doherty, 2026)
IMAGE CREDIT: Getty Images

Two White Supremacists Charged and Third Man Pleads Guilty in Oceanside Pier Hate Attack

Three men—Austin Yohe (23), Daniel Burns (30), and Johnny Lee Lane (23)—allegedly carried out a series of racially motivated hate-crime attacks near Oceanside Pier on June 7, 2025. The men, who identified as skinheads and belonged to a white supremacist gang from Hemet, California, targeted victims specifically because of their race. Lane pleaded guilty to three counts of conspiracy to commit hate crimes causing bodily injury, while Yohe and Burns face formal charges for hate crimes and obstruction of justice (2).

The attackers assaulted a 21-year-old man of Black and Asian descent near public beach bathrooms, beating him with punches, kicks, and repeatedly slamming his head against concrete, causing him severe traumatic brain injury. Minutes later, the same three men attacked two off-duty Marines at Junior Seau Pier amphitheater, targeting a Black sergeant with racial slurs before assaulting both servicemen without provocation. Both Marines required medical attention for injuries including concussions and facial fractures. Evidence showed the perpetrators used Nazi symbolism, including the number code 1488, Nazi salutes, and tattoos identifying themselves as skinheads.

Masked white supremacist demonstration in Danbury

A group of approximately a dozen masked individuals gathered outside the Danbury Police Department headquarters to conduct a white supremacist demonstration. The group displayed a banner reading "keep New England white," shouted "white power," and performed Nazi salutes. Video evidence was posted to Reddit and Facebook showing the demonstration, which the Danbury Police Chief confirmed as authentic. The group appears to be affiliated with Northeast Action, a white supremacist organization that announced its existence in November 2025 (3).

Local officials, including Mayor Roberto Alves, Police Chief Patrick Ridenhour, and State Representative Raghib Allie-Brennan, swiftly condemned the demonstration, emphasizing that hate and white supremacy have no place in the community. The Danbury NAACP opened an investigation into the incident, with organization president Glenda Armstrong expressing concern about the demonstration and questioning why the group targeted Danbury at this time. The incident was not isolated, as Connecticut has experienced previous white supremacist activities, including propaganda distribution by NSC-131 in 2023 and neo-Nazi protests in New Haven.

[2] (A. Riggins, 2026)
[3] (P. Yankowski, 2026)

Tennessee Man Sentenced to Over 17 Years in Prison for Arson & Support to Foreign Terrorist Organization

Regan Darby Prater, 28, of Tullahoma, Tennessee, was sentenced to 210 months in prison for arson and attempted provision of material support to Hezbollah. Prater used a napalm-based incendiary device (sparkler bomb) to destroy facilities at the Highlander Center, a nonprofit research and education center in New Market, Tennessee, causing over $1.2 million in damage. Before detonating the bomb, he spray-painted the Iron Guard symbol in the parking lot, the same symbol that appeared on the rifle used in the Christchurch terrorist attacks (4).

Prater admitted that he committed the arson due to his white-supremacist ideology and in response to the Highlander Center's faith-based educational priorities and its association with the Civil Rights Movement. Additionally, in 2019, Prater attempted to provide material support to Hezbollah by obtaining and providing a document containing personally identifiable information of over 35,000 individuals purportedly affiliated with the Israeli government, stating "Start the hunt" to someone he believed was associated with the terrorist organization.

West Linn condemns hate after white supremacist literature reported

Residents of West Linn, Oregon discovered hate-filled flyers left on driveways in a southwest neighborhood. The literature was packaged in plastic bags filled with rice and praised a white supremacist organization while calling for the release of Ian Cranston, a man convicted in 2022 of manslaughter in the shooting death of an unarmed Black man. The flyers claimed Cranston was a victim of a corrupt judge and politically motivated prosecution (5).

The City of West Linn strongly condemned the incident, stating it opposed antisemitism, racism, religious discrimination, and all forms of hate and bigotry. The West Linn Police Department launched an investigation into the distribution of the flyers, with authorities indicating they would need evidence that the messaging was targeted in order to pursue a full investigation. The city urged residents who received similar handouts or had information about their distribution to contact local law enforcement or the Oregon Department of Justice Bias Response Hotline.

[4] (U.S. Department of Justice, 2026)
[5] (J. Singh, 2026)

CAIR-Chicago Welcomes Hate Crime Charges for 'White Power' Threats Targeting Muslim Women at Des Plaines Park

On October 16, 2026, the Chicago chapter of the Council on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR-Chicago) welcomed the filing of multiple felony hate crime charges against 44-year-old Matthew R. Kindle, a Des Plaines man who allegedly threatened to shoot three Muslim women wearing hijabs at Lake Opeka Park. According to the Des Plaines Police Department, the suspect repeatedly hurled derogatory remarks about the victims' religion and national origin before threatening to shoot them, and during his detention, made explicit 'white power' remarks. Kindle has been charged with six felony hate crime counts and resisting a peace officer (6).

CIAR-Chicago Executive Director Ahmed Rehab released a statement condemning the incident, emphasizing that no one should fear for their safety in public spaces due to white supremacist bigotry and faith-based harassment. The organization expressed full solidarity with the victims and committed to monitoring the case to ensure justice is served, while encouraging anyone experiencing bias or discrimination to report incidents to their civil rights department.

4 members of white supremacist prison gang convicted of 'violent assault' on African-American inmate

Four members of the Peckerwoods, a white supremacist prison gang with significant presence throughout California penal institutions, were convicted of crimes related to a coordinated violent assault on an African American inmate at the Stanislaus County Public Safety Center in Ceres in June. The assault was directed by a ranking member of the gang (7).

All four participants pleaded guilty to all charges and enhancements in the assault case, as well as admitting to being active members of the gang. Joshua Clint Keys, the 43-year-old gang leader of the attackers, was sentenced to additional prison time for his involvement, with the other three participants scheduled to be sentenced in the coming weeks.

[6] (CAIR-Chicago, 2026)
[7] (C. Johnson, 2026)

SPAIN

Young Men Falsely Accused of Murder in Burgos by Far-Right Social Media Accounts: 'They Have Destroyed Our Lives'

Two Spanish men, ages 20 and 29, were falsely accused of murdering an 83-year-old woman in Burgos after their photographs were shared on social media by far-right extremist accounts including Nucleo Nacional and Revuelta, a group that originated as Vox's youth wing but has since broken with the party. A Twitter user named Álex Martínez initially posted false information claiming two minors (allegedly named Mohammed Chekraoui and Ayoub Haiboub) had committed the crime, accompanying the post with photos of the two innocent men. The misinformation went viral across multiple platforms, receiving over one million views and being shared by numerous accounts and media outlets including El Imperial España, which regularly publishes anti-immigrant content (8).

In reality, the accused individuals are Ahmed Benyahia (20) and Youssef Abraoui (29), both Spanish citizens of Moroccan and Algerian descent. The false accusations caused them severe distress, triggering anxiety attacks and hundreds of hateful messages and insults. The two men filed police reports in Barcelona and Manresa respectively. The actual perpetrators of the Burgos murder were later identified as individuals from Eastern Europe with criminal records for robbery. The incident highlights how far-right extremist groups weaponize misinformation and fabricated accusations to incite hatred against immigrants and ethnic minorities.

Five Far-Right Activists Arrested After Tensest Day at Puerta del Sol Housing Crisis Encampment

On Spain's National Day, several far-right ultra groups attempted to disrupt a 17-day housing crisis encampment at Madrid's Puerta del Sol. The radicals, mostly young people carrying unconstitutional flags including Falange and Carlist symbols, surrounded the camp chanting "Ceuta is not for sale" and singing Falangist hymns while hurling violent rhetoric at activists and journalists. The day culminated in physical confrontations, object-throwing, and police interventions (9).

Five individuals were arrested for assault against law enforcement, including one minor, with one attacker punching a police officer. The incident left one officer injured. Over 2,000 people were encamped at the plaza, and both ultra groups and camp supporters organized counter-mobilizations, with police establishing cordons to separate the opposing groups and prevent further clashes.

[8] (M. Viejo, 2026)
[9] (El País, 2026)

UNITED KINGDOM

UK faces rising threat from far-right terrorism, warns MI5 chief

MI5 chief Ken McCallum warned that the UK is facing a growing threat from extreme right-wing terrorism, with cases involving anti-immigration and anti-Muslim grievances increasingly escalating into terrorist intent. He noted that extreme right-wing terrorism tends to affect younger individuals and is driven by online activity. McCallum also disclosed that MI5 had recently investigated a radicalized 13-year-old extremist, whose case generated intelligence that helped prevent a lethal attack by an international partner (10).

McCallum highlighted emerging security risks including the potential use of artificial intelligence by extremist groups to develop bioweapons, which he identified as his greatest concern. He stated that MI5 had caught terrorists seeking to exploit AI for reconnaissance and attack methodologies, including AI-enabled drones. Although the bioweapons threat has not yet been realized, McCallum warned that the technology has the potential to significantly change the stakes regarding existing or new bioweapons.

ITALY

Young Man Arrested in Italy Accused of Planning Attacks Against Mosques and Synagogues

Italian security forces arrested a 22-year-old in Milan accused of planning attacks against a synagogue and a mosque. The arrest followed an arrest warrant issued by a Milan investigating judge after an exhaustive investigation by prosecutors who analyzed the contents of his devices. The young man had meticulously planned different methods for manufacturing explosive devices and modified firearms, with the investigation pointing to a case of white extremism and white supremacy (11).

The investigation indicates that the young man had been gathering information for "terrorist purposes" and had acquired chemical products for bomb manufacturing. He had also distributed and exchanged propaganda aimed at inciting hatred. Authorities found that he possessed manifestos and writings by Anders Breivik, the terrorist responsible for the Oslo and Utøya massacres in 2011, along with white supremacist, Holocaust-denying, and xenophobic content.

[10] (Anadolu Agency, 2026)
[11] (The Objective, 2026)

CROATIA

Police investigating antisemitic Nazi chants from Hajduk Split fans

Croatian police are investigating antisemitic chanting by Hajduk Split football fans that occurred before their Conference League match against Ajax. Footage shows supporters chanting about Auschwitz and expressing support for Adolf Hitler outside the stadium, with a large march led by a yellow car carrying a coffin marked 'Ajax' on its roof. The Amsterdam club has historical associations with the Jewish community, and the incident prompted condemnation from Croatia's ombudswoman and the government (12).

Local police have made arrests in connection with the chants and identified several additional individuals being tracked down. While Hajduk Split issued a public apology, the club did not specifically address the antisemitic nature of the chanting. This incident continues a pattern of discriminatory behavior by Croatian football supporters, following previous incidents including a swastika marked on a pitch in 2015 and a stadium ban imposed for discriminatory behavior against France.

CANADA

White Ethnonationalist Group Dominion Society Warns Ottawa Residents

The Dominion Society, a white ethnonationalist organization founded in 2025 and based in Ottawa, has launched a recruitment campaign throughout Canada using posters and stickers calling for mass deportations of millions of people. The group's founder and president, Daniel Tyrie, declared that the recruitment campaign will continue despite complaints of racism and white nationalism filed with police and the city of Ottawa. Police have stated that the materials do not constitute hate crimes (13).

The Dominion Society advocates for the reversal of Canada's decades-old immigration and multiculturalism policies, the deportation of all temporary foreign workers, and the revocation of citizenship through birth and naturalization. The group proposes that only English and French speakers descended from English, French, Irish, and Scottish colonial settlers should be considered Canadian. Their vision for Canada includes prohibiting kosher and halal food production, restricting signage to English or French only, and replacing the Canadian Multiculturalism Act with a National Cohesion Act asserting Canada's European, Christian, and bicultural foundation.

[12] (T. Grundy, 2026)
[13] (K. Nease, 2026)

AUSTRALIA

NSW woman charged for allegedly displaying Nazi symbol on social media platforms

A 45-year-old NSW woman has been charged by AFP National Security Investigations teams with six counts of publicly displaying a prohibited Nazi symbol contrary to the Criminal Code. The investigation began in August 2026 after a report about a social media account publishing prohibited Nazi symbols and antisemitic material. A search warrant was executed at her home in Point Frederick on the NSW Central Coast, and a mobile phone was seized for forensic examination. She is scheduled to appear before Gosford Local Court on 3 December 2026, with a maximum penalty of five years imprisonment (14).

This charge is part of a broader enforcement action by the AFP against hate symbol display on social media. In a separate but related investigation, a 73-year-old northern Sydney man was also charged with the same offence on 20 October 2026 for allegedly publishing prohibited Nazi symbols and antisemitic comments. The AFP's National Security Investigations teams were established in October 2025 to target groups and individuals causing harm to Australia's social cohesion, including those targeting the Jewish community.



[14] (Australian Federal Police, 2026)
IMAGE CREDIT: SCM Jeans/ stock

SAMOA

Samoa PM apologises after Nazi salute video emerges

Samoa's Prime Minister La'auli Leuatea Schmidt apologised after a 2007 video emerged showing him leading a Nazi salute and saying "Heil Hitler" at a family gathering on the island of Savai'i. The seven-second clip, published by the Samoa Observer newspaper, shows Schmidt holding a microphone as he directs about a dozen people to raise their right hands and perform the Nazi salute (15).

Schmidt, who became prime minister in 2025, stated that the words and gesture were inappropriate regardless of intent and rejected Nazism, antisemitism, racism and all forms of political extremism. The apology came after criticism from academics, including historian Richard Evans who called the footage "shocking and disturbing." Schmidt has previously made strong public expressions of support for Israel, including wearing a Jewish prayer shawl at his swearing-in.



[15] (Al Jazeera, 2026)

INTERNATIONAL

Paris court jails Indian man for leading sadist neo-Nazi cult that tortured girls

A 29-year-old Indian man named Rohan Rane was sentenced to 20 years in prison by a Paris court for leading an international criminal network called the "CVLT" group. The organization targeted vulnerable children, primarily girls under 15 from the United States, Britain, and Canada, coercing them into producing violent and sexual content. Prosecutors described Rane as a neo-Nazi lover of sadism who used online platforms like Discord to recruit victims from forums, threatening to expose them to family and friends if they did not comply with sexual demands (16).

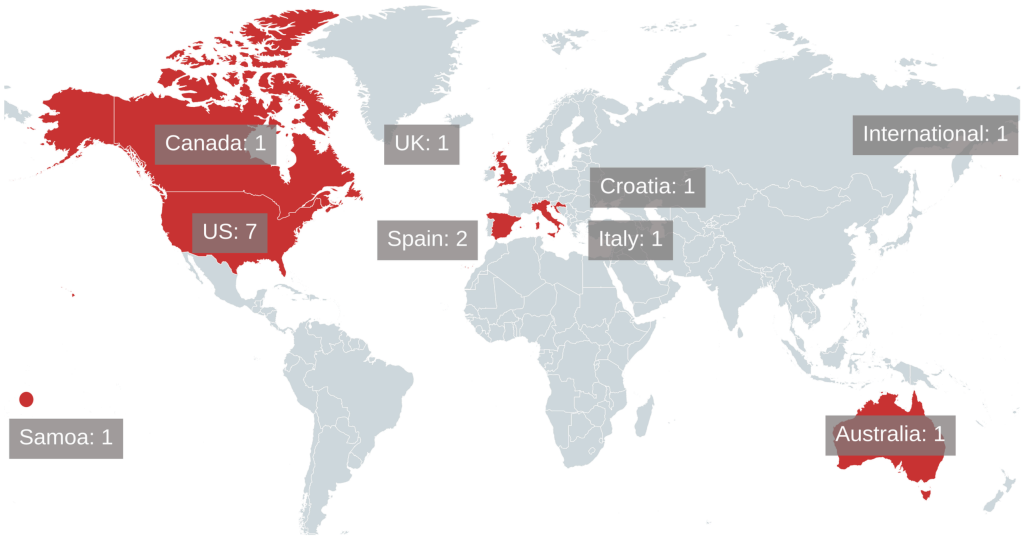
The group, driven by nihilism, racism, anti-Semitism, Nazi aesthetics, and hatred of feminists and the LGBTQ+ community, forced many victims—particularly those who were Black or Jewish—to engage in sexual acts and self-harm, including carving Nazi swastikas and their tormentors' names into their skin. About 20 victims were identified, with six making official complaints. One 26-year-old American member was separately jailed in the United States for the 2021 rape of a 12-year-old. US authorities plan to seek Rane's extradition upon completion of his French sentence.



[16] (FRANCE 24, 2026)
IMAGE CREDIT: Benoît Peyrucq, AFP

Graphical Analysis of Far-Right Extremism in October 2026

Countries affected by incidents linked to terrorism and right-wing extremist violence in October 2026



Source: Own elaboration

In October 2026, the geographical distribution of incidents linked to terrorism and right-wing extremist violence remained concentrated in North America and Europe, although it became considerably more dispersed than in previous months. The United States again recorded the highest number of incidents, with seven cases, followed by Spain with two. Canada, the United Kingdom, Italy, Croatia, Australia and Samoa each recorded one incident, while one further case had an international scope, involving perpetrators and victims across several countries.

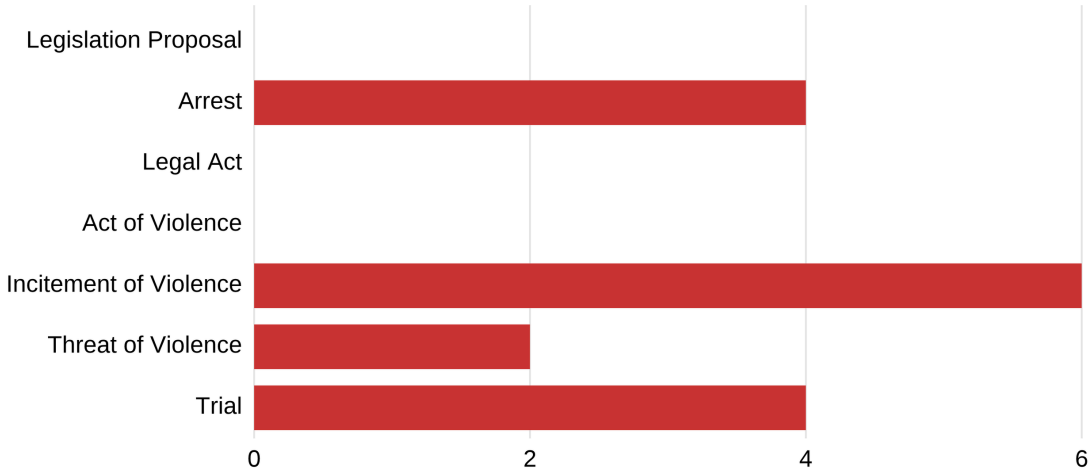
Overall, October points to a wider geographical footprint of right-wing extremist activity, with the United States remaining the main focus but with a growing number of isolated cases across Europe, North America and Oceania. The international case underlines the transnational and digital dimension of the phenomenon, as online platforms enable extremist networks to recruit and target victims across borders. As in previous months, short-term variations should be interpreted cautiously and assessed against longer-term patterns.

In October 2026, the distribution of incident types linked to right-wing extremism was led by incitement to violence, which accounted for six of the sixteen recorded cases. Trials and arrests followed with four cases each, while threats of violence accounted for two. As in September, no legal acts, legislative proposals or direct acts of violence were recorded as such during the month.

Compared with September, incitement to violence decreased from eight to six cases, while arrests doubled from two to four. Trials remained stable at four cases and threats of violence also held steady at two. The increase in arrests includes two cases in which planned attacks against places of worship were disrupted, in the United States and in Italy, illustrating the role of early detection and law-enforcement intervention in preventing violence.

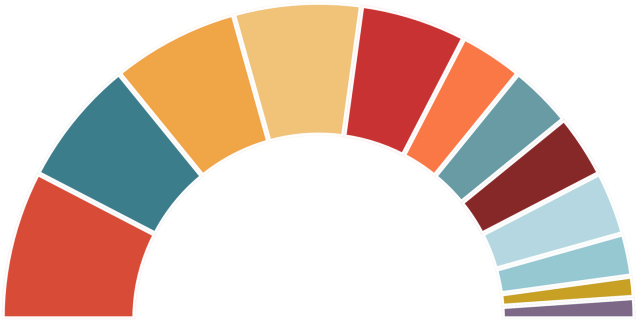
Overall, the October data show a more balanced distribution between extremist rhetoric and institutional responses, with judicial and police action together accounting for half of the recorded cases. Although no incident was classified as a direct act of violence, several of the judicial proceedings concerned physical assaults committed earlier, and the foiled plots point to a persistent risk of escalation from online radicalisation to attack planning. These patterns should therefore be read within the broader monitored landscape rather than as a sign of a declining threat.

Type of violent incident linked to the extreme right in October 2026



Source:Own elaboration

Ideology of terrorism and right-wing extremist violence in October 2026



White Supremacy (15%)
Xenophobia (13%)
Racially-Motivated (13%)
Antisemitism (13%)
Neo-Nazi (11%)
White Nationalism (7%)
Ultranationalism (7%)
Nazi (7%)
Islamophobia (7%)
Extreme Right (unspecified) (4%)
National Supremacy (2%)
Child Abuse Material (2%)

Source: Own elaboration

In October 2026, the ideological distribution of incidents linked to terrorism and right-wing extremist violence remained fragmented, with white supremacy once again emerging as the most prominent category, accounting for 15% of the recorded ideological motivations.

Compared with September, white supremacy and neo-Nazism lost some weight, while antisemitism and Islamophobia gained prominence, the latter rising from 4% to 7%. Unspecified extreme-right motivations decreased notably, from 10% to 4%, as most incidents recorded in October could be attributed to more specific ideological currents. Accelerationism, present in September, was not recorded this month, while explicitly Nazi references emerged as a distinct category, linked to the display of Nazi symbols and salutes in Croatia, Australia and Samoa.

Overall, October confirms a diverse ideological landscape centred on racial, ethnic and religious exclusion, in which white supremacist, xenophobic and antisemitic narratives frequently overlap within the same incidents. The combination of anti-Muslim and antisemitic motivations, illustrated by the planned attacks against a mosque and a synagogue in Italy, together with the presence of neo-Nazi online networks exploiting minors, points to a convergence of hate-based ideologies and to the growing role of digital environments in their diffusion.

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