

# NEO-FASCIST SKULLMASK MOVEMENT

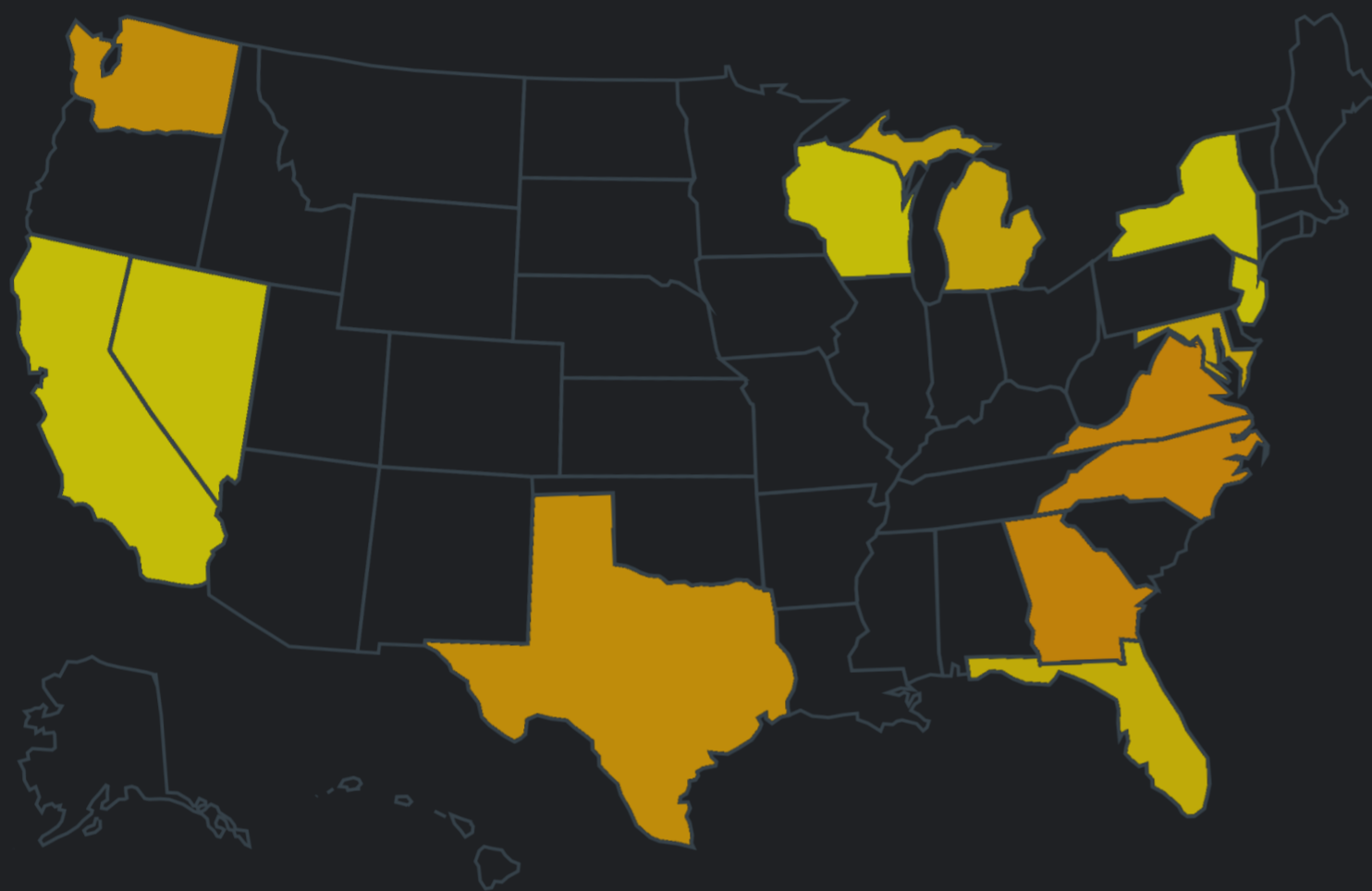


**36** have been charged in the U.S. with offenses related to the neo-fascist skullmask movement, including individuals affiliated with Atomwaffen Division, Feuerkrieg Division, and The Base

**23** individuals pleaded or were found guilty at trial

## NUMBERS BY STATE

To date, 13 states have had at least one charge within their borders



CA	●	1
FL	●●	2
GA	●●●●●	5
MD	●●●	3
MI	●●●	3
NC	●●●●●	5
NJ	●	1
NV	●	1
NY	●	1
TX	●●●●	4
VA	●●●●●	5
WA	●●●●	4
WI	●	1

**4.9**

years average sentence length

**100%**  
are male

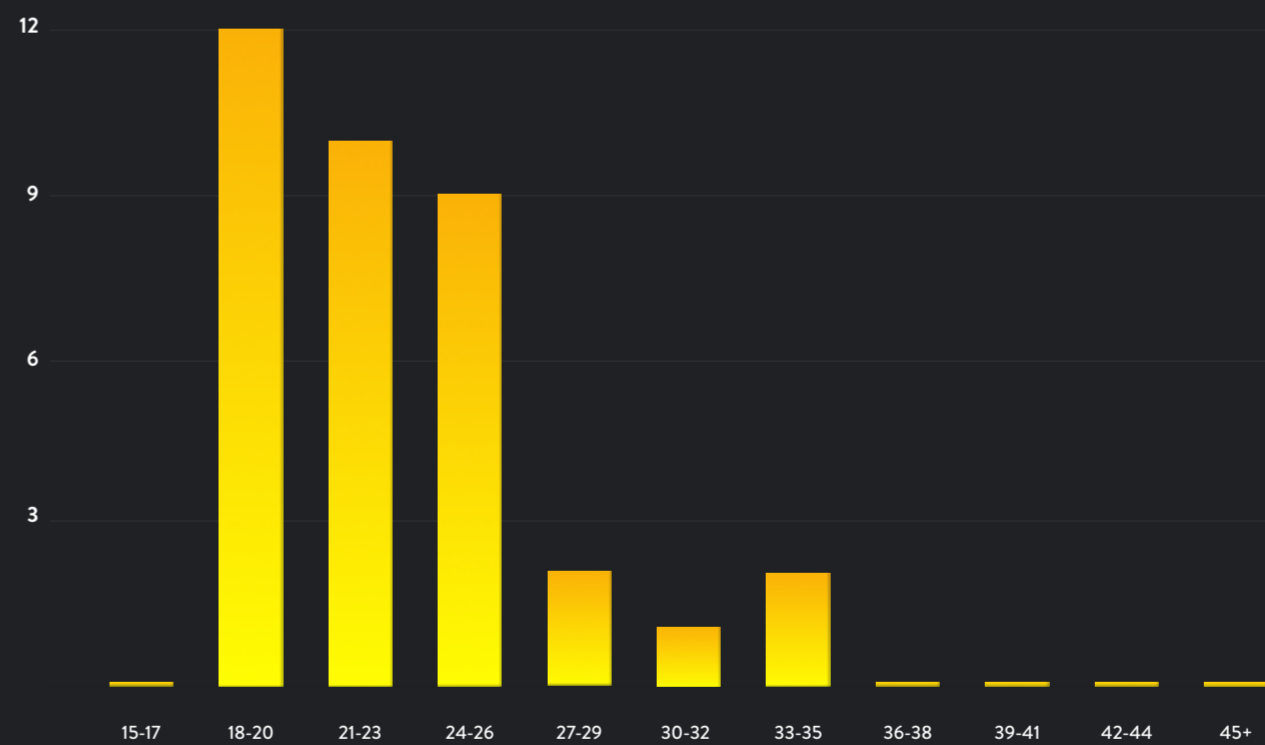
**60%**

were accused of being involved in plots to carry out attacks on U.S. soil.

**57%**

were arrested in an operation involving an informant and/or an undercover agent

## AGE



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# LEGAL PROCEEDINGS FROM MARCH 2022 - OCTOBER 2022

## Beau Daniel Merryman

**Date:** March 23, 2022

**Age:** 18

**State:** Texas

Beau Daniel Merryman, an 18-year-old resident of Marion County, Texas, was sentenced in the Eastern District of Texas to 41 months in prison after pleading guilty to distributing information related to explosives and destructive devices. Merryman, who was affiliated with Atomwaffen Division, engaged in a series of online conversations in September and October 2019 with covert FBI employees. During these conversations, Merryman provided detailed instructions for the construction of numerous types of improvised explosive devices (IEDs), including pipe bombs and pressure-cooker bombs. Merryman further directed that the IEDs be used to target federal law enforcement and critical infrastructure, including electrical substations. Merryman was indicted in October 2019, and pleaded guilty in November 2021.

**Sources:** DOJ Press Release, Merryman Judgment, KSLA

## Matthew Belanger

**Date:** June 10, 2022

**Age:** 25

**State:** New York

Matthew Belanger, a 25-year-old resident of Long Island, New York, was arrested and charged in the District of Hawaii with making false statements to a federal firearm licensee. According to the charging documents, Belanger, then an active-duty Marine, made these false statements in order to make straw purchases of an assault rifle and a handgun. Court documents describe Belanger as a member of Rapekrieg, a neo-Nazi movement with overlapping beliefs and membership with other neo-Nazi groups such as 'Rapewaffen' and 'Atomwaffen.' The criminal complaint further alleges that, along with other Rapekrieg members, Belanger took steps in 2019 to conduct surveillance of an unnamed synagogue as part of a plan to attack it with Molotov cocktails. Evidence presented in support of Belanger's pre-trial detention illustrate his support for this violent ideology, including 1,950 images and videos recovered from his Marine Corps housing and electronic devices related to "white power groups, Nazi literature, brutality towards the Jewish community, brutality towards women, rape, mass murderers," as well as "violent uncensored executions and/or rape" and "previous mass murderers such as Dylan Roof." In rejecting Belanger's motion for pre-trial release, the Magistrate Judge cited Belanger's statements and plans to "kill innocent people and attack a synagogue in New York with homemade explosives."

**Sources:** Belanger Criminal Complaint, Belanger Opposition to Defense Motion to Review Detention Order, Rolling Stone