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In 2017, 10,900 terrorist attacks claimed the lives of more than 26,400 people around the world; 65 of those attacks occurred in the United States, almost double the number committed in 2002. Countering violent extremism depends on understanding the radicalization process that leads to terrorist acts, but radicalization within the United States is a complicated picture. The urgency, lethality and multifaceted complexity of the problem of domestic radicalization to terrorism make it a top research priority for NIJ.

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