



The National Counter-Improvised Explosive Device (IED) Capabilities Analysis Database (NCCAD) is an assessment program that uses a consistent and repeatable analytical methodology to assess and analyze the capabilities of bomb squads, explosives detection canine teams, dive teams, and Special Weapons and Tactics Teams throughout the United States. NCCAD assessments measure the capability elements of personnel, equipment, and training required for effective prevention, protection, and response to IED threats. This integrated information provides a snapshot of local, State, regional, and national counter-IED preparedness that informs decisionmakers on policy decisions, resource allocation for capability enhancement, and crisis management.

Program Description

Maintained by the Office of Infrastructure Protection's Office for Bombing Prevention (OBP), NCCAD analyzes data on multiple levels, including geographic area, type of unit, and incident-specific resources for determining local, State, regional, and national counter-IED response capabilities. NCCAD provides readiness information for use in planning, as well as steady-state and crisis decision support during threats or incidents. This detailed level of data supports critical decisionmaking for Federal, State, local, tribal, territorial, and private sector security partners that have a role in the counter-IED mission.

Subject matter experts in OBP facilitate NCCAD assessments with State, local, tribal, and territorial agencies with IED prevention and response units to:

- Determine current operational capabilities
- Identify specific personnel, planning, training, and equipment gaps
- Provide recommendations for capability enhancements

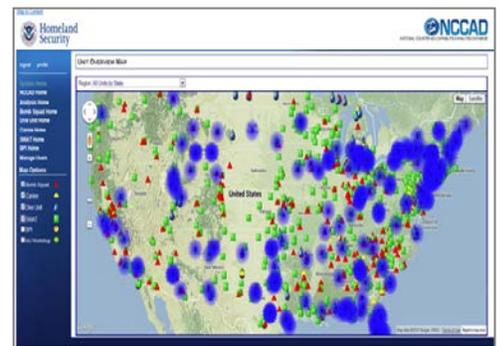
NCCAD assessment reports assist operational decisionmakers and resource providers in developing investment justifications that support State homeland security strategies and national priorities in accordance with DHS grant program guidance. The NCCAD capability data increases knowledge of counter-IED capabilities at the unit, State, regional, and national levels in relation to relevant national preparedness goals.

Contact Information

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