

The Past and Future of Drones in the U.S.



2014-CURRENT

Legislation **restricting civilian drone** use and regulations associated with UAV usage continue to evolve.



2013

Sales of non-military drones are **expected to reach \$8.2 billion** in the next decade.



2007

An unmanned UAV in Washington state **assists law enforcement** in a child endangerment case.



LATE 1990'S

The U.S. Air Force begins working on ways to **equip drones with weapons**.



Types of insurance claims that drones are most useful for:

- Building Envelope Investigations
- Natural Disaster/Catastrophic Damage Assessments
- Fire & Explosion Investigations
- Roofing Investigations
- Specialized Forensic Investigations



1860'S

Union and Confederate forces **launched balloons loaded with explosives**, intending for them to come down inside ammo depots and explode.



1944

Operation Aphrodite, during WWII, aims to **use unmanned bombers** for selected targets.



1960'S-1970'S

Firebee drones are dispatched to **conduct reconnaissance missions**, take night photos and detect surface-to-air-missiles during the Vietnam war.



1985

The **Pioneer UAV program is launched** by the U.S. Navy, going on to be used in the Persian Gulf, Bosnia and Somalia.