

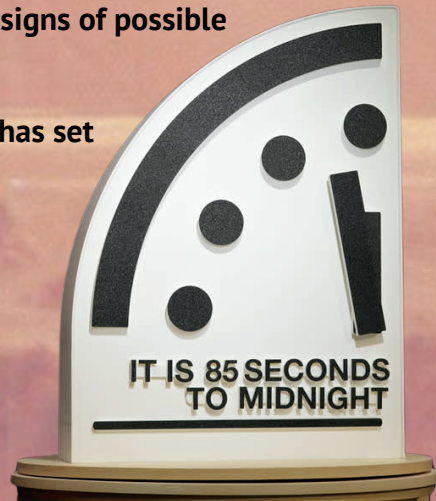
Why the Nuclear Risk Is Greater Than Ever

Since the August 1945 nuclear attacks on Japan, the risk has grown. We now know that any use of a nuclear weapon is likely to result in a nuclear war, and that even a limited nuclear war would likely devastate the Earth through nuclear winter. All the bilateral disarmament treaties between the U.S. and Russia have been ended. Nine nations have nuclear weapons. The U.S. has put its nuclear weapons into six other countries, five of which don't have their own. Russia has done the same in one non-nuclear nation. France and the UK have threatened to do the same in others.

Several nations have nuclear energy programs that would allow them to rapidly create nuclear weapons. Nuclear energy, driven by that motive, by the waste of the weapons production, and by false claims of safety, also creates targets. Trump is trying to give a nuclear program to Saudi Arabia.

Surviving dozens of near-disastrous initiations of nuclear war over the past 81 years has required luck that must run out someday. The decision to launch nuclear wars has been placed in the hands of individuals who have threatened to do it. And scientists are rushing to give robots the ability to interpret signs of possible attacks, and to act autonomously.

The Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists has set the Doomsday Clock at 85 seconds to midnight, the closest it's ever been. Governments, led by the U.S., are rapidly increasing spending on nuclear weapons. There has been a dramatic reduction in public pressure to reverse this.



How We Can Avoid Nuclear War

Add a town or city to those declaring themselves Nuclear Free Zones that will not do business with the nuclear industry.

Pass a local resolution in support of abolishing nuclear weapons.

Pressure a government to stop funding the creation, maintenance, and deployment of nuclear weapons, or to begin by eliminating land-based ICBMs.

Work to uphold the Treaty on Nonproliferation, which requires eliminating all nuclear and non-nuclear weapons. Urge a government to join the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons.

Watch and share the new film *An Ordinary Insanity*.

Learn the facts about Hiroshima and Nagasaki to debunk the myth that dropping nuclear bombs saved lives.

Support the International People's Tribunal on the 1945 U.S. Atomic Bombings, to be held in Seoul, South Korea, on November 13–15, 2026: abombtribunal.org

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