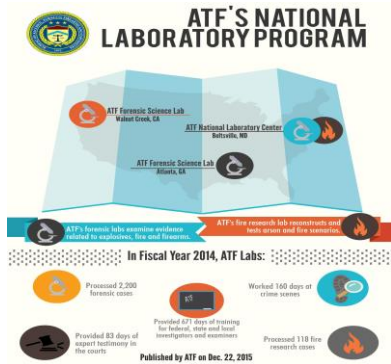


Maryland Federal Facilities Profile

ATF- National Laboratory Center



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Department: Department of Justice (DOJ)

Parent Agency: Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives (ATF)

Maryland Employees: 99

History & Mission: The ATF laboratory system traces its history from 1886, when Congress established a Revenue Laboratory as part of the Department of the Treasury (Treasury Department). This laboratory began examining alcoholic products in 1887. Over time, the lab's responsibilities expanded to include the forensic analysis of firearms, explosives, fire accelerants, fire devices, and debris from explosives and fire scenes. Congressional funding of a new National Laboratory Center in suburban Maryland resulted in a new \$135 million facility that was dedicated on June 16, 2003.

ATF's National Laboratory Center is the premier laboratory in the world in the combined areas of alcohol, tobacco, firearms, explosives, and fire debris analysis. It plays an important part in supporting the bureau's strategic goals of reducing violent crime and protecting the public.

Each ATF Laboratory also has a mobile laboratory that is designed to support examination of evidence at the scene of a fire or explosion. Additionally, a DNA analysis capability has been established at the National Laboratory Center.

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ATF Alcohol and Tobacco Laboratory
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