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# Drones on the home front

Unmanned aircraft, which have already revolutionized warfare in Iraq and Afghanistan, are entering U.S. airspace. While drones have already been used to patrol the border and track forest fires, their most controversial use may be as surveillance tools for federal, state and local law enforcement.

*Learn more about four types of drones used in domestic surveillance:*



## T-Hawk

Honeywell

The micro air vehicle can be deployed vertically in less than 10 minutes and carry up to 20 pounds of equipment to capture 24 minutes of high-quality video. It is used by the **Miami-Dade County, Fla., Police Department**.



**Watch video of a T-Hawk in flight:**

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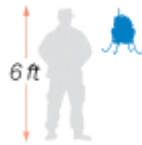
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Video courtesy of [Honeywell](#).

#### Dimensions

The T-Hawk is approximately **two feet** tall and weighs **17.5 pounds**.



#### Specifications

**Endurance:** 50 minutes  
**Max. altitude:** 10,000 feet  
**Max. speed:** 46 mph  
**Propulsion:** Gasoline piston engine

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