

Since the 1st February the United States have carried out three airstrikes. The targets were:

2nd February ♦ Five unmanned US strike aircraft are reported to have fired 18 missiles at a camp and vehicles in the village of Datta Khel, North Waziristan. According to the Long War Journal this is the largest recorded US airstrike in Pakistan. This also indicates that top al Qaida, Taliban or Haqqani leaders may have been targeted. Seventeen terrorists were reported killed in the attack. However none of the reported casualties have been al Qaida or Taliban leaders.

14th February ♦ Two missiles were fired from an American drone aircraft killing at least six militants in North Waziristan.

15th February ♦ An unmanned US strike aircraft fired two missiles into a vehicle transporting militants out of the village of Tabi Ghundi Kala, North Waziristan. The strike killed four militants.

The United States has so far carried out 14 strikes in 2010. January had the highest monthly strike total since the programme began in 2004. The continued focus on North Waziristan reflects the United States' belief that the leadership of the Pakistani Taliban has relocated in the region as a result of the Pakistani offensive in South Waziristan.