

October 16, 2025

**Quarterly report on JASDF fighters scramble
(The first half of FY2025)**

1. Overview

- The total number of scrambles conducted by JASDF fighters in the first half of FY2025 is 265. Details are as follows:

Country/Region	Russia	China	Taiwan	North Korea	Others	TOTAL
Number	59 (22 %)	198 (75 %)	1 (less than 1 %)	0	7 (3 %)	265

(※)The chart includes information about presumed affiliation of spotted aircraft.

2. Trends seen in the first half of FY2025

- A helicopter launched from a Chinese Coast Guard vessel intruded into Japan's territorial airspace around the Senkaku Islands.
- Chinese and Russian aircraft's intensive activities were confirmed as follows:
- Chinese UAVs passed between Yonaguni Island and Taiwan at a frequency exceeding that of the first half of FY 2024
 - Russian Tu-95 bombers and fighters flew over the Sea of Japan

ABBREVIATIONS

JASDF: Japan Air Self-Defense Force

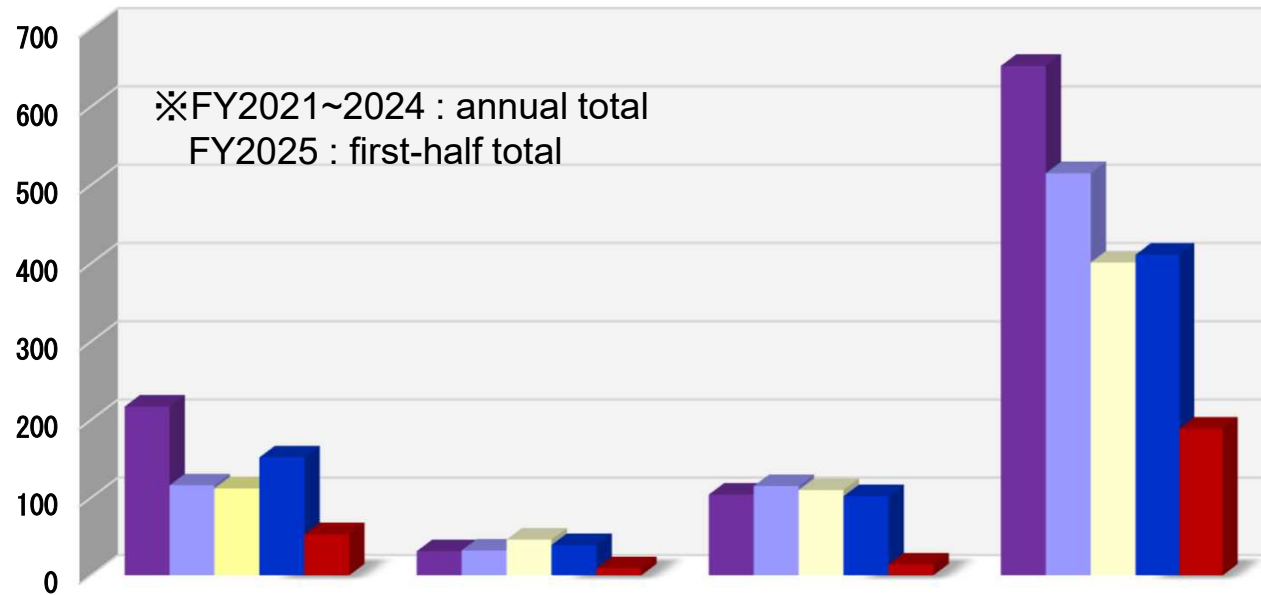
FY: fiscal year [From Apr.1 to Mar.31]

UAV: unmanned aerial vehicle

Details of Scrambles conducted by Air Defense Command

As of September 30, 2025

(Times)



		Northern		Central		Western		Southwestern		TOTAL	
		FY	H1 FY	FY	H1 FY	FY	H1 FY	FY	H1 FY	FY	H1 FY
■	2021	217	94	31	5	104	22	652	269	1004	390
■	2022	116	70	32	9	115	58	515	309	778	446
■	2023	112	72	46	26	110	69	401	257	669	424
■	2024	152	90	39	12	102	45	411	211	704	358
■	2025	—	53	—	9	—	14	—	189	—	265

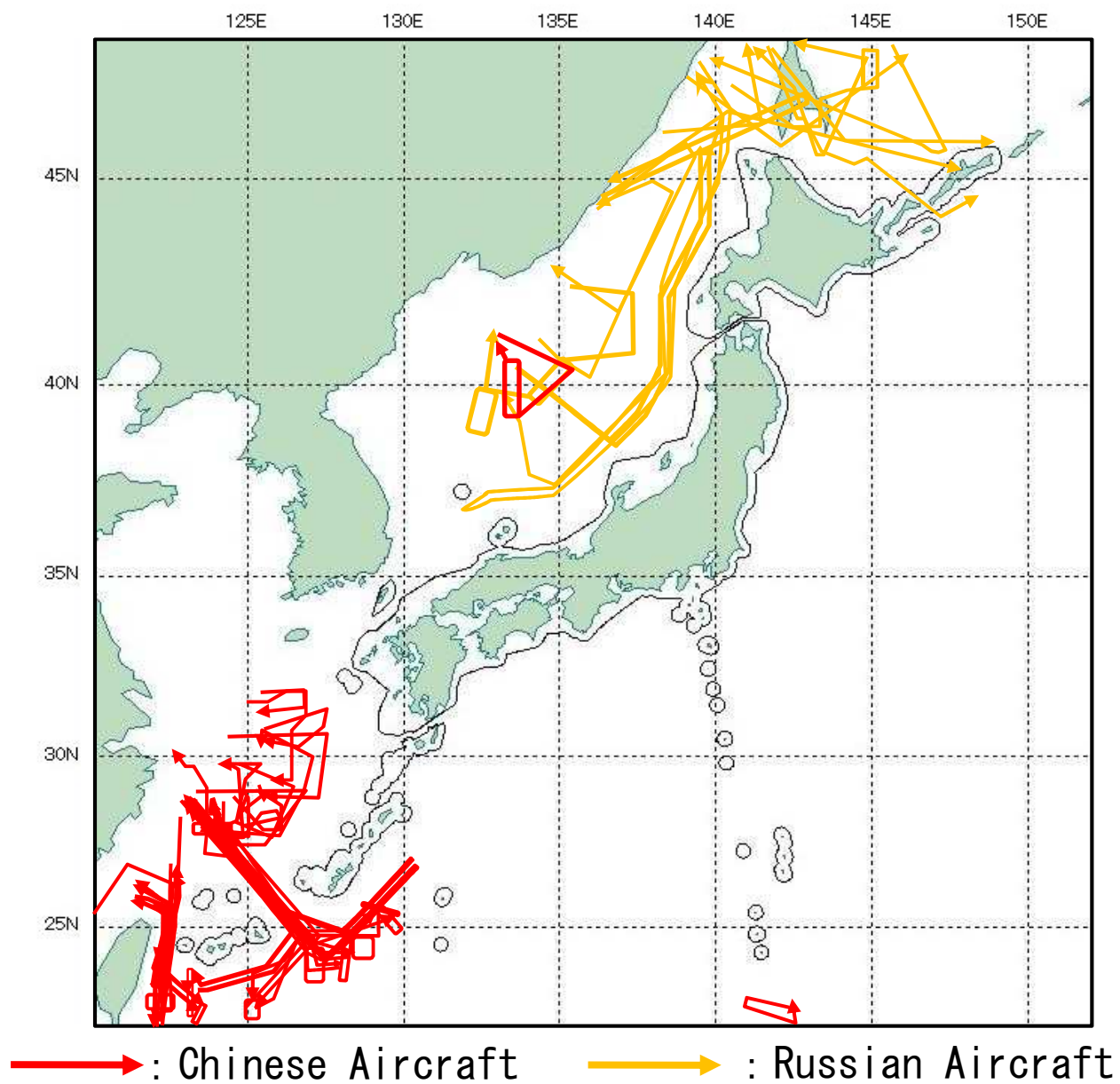
Details of Scrambles (Country and Region)

As of September 30, 2025

Country/ Region FY	Russia		China		Taiwan		North Korea		Others		TOTAL	
	FY	H1 FY	FY	H1 FY	FY	H1 FY	FY	H1 FY	FY	H1 FY	FY	H1 FY
2 0 2 1	266	102	722	281	3	0	0	0	13	7	1004	390
2 0 2 2	150	95	575	340	0	0	0	0	53	11	778	446
2 0 2 3	174	110	479	304	1	1	2	2	13	7	669	424
2 0 2 4	237	114	464	242	0	0	0	0	3	2	704	358
2 0 2 5	—	59	—	198	—	1	—	0	—	7	—	265

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Flight Patterns of Russian Aircraft and Chinese Aircraft (e.g.)



Number of Scrambles

As of March 31, 2025

(Times)

