

2 Injured in Ukrainian Drone Strikes on Russia's Belgorod

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A fire erupts at a gas station in Shebekino after a drone attack. vk.com/love.shbk

Two people were injured in three separate drone attacks in western Russia's Belgorod region, Russian authorities said early Friday.

One bus passenger was wounded in a drone strike in the village of Voznesenovka, around 7 kilometers north of Ukraine's Kharkiv region, Belgorod region Governor Vyacheslav Gladkov [said](#) on Telegram.

Another person received shrapnel wounds when a Ukrainian drone struck a parked car in the same village, Gladkov [added](#).

In the nearby town of Shebekino, the governor [said](#) a gas station employee escaped unharmed when a drone struck a gas storage tank.

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Local media [published](#) an unverified video of what was [said](#) to be a gas station in Shebekino engulfed in flames.

Russia's Defense Ministry [said](#) it had downed or intercepted five drones over the Belgorod region and one in annexed Crimea overnight.

Belgorod has been repeatedly targeted by what Russian officials have called indiscriminate Ukrainian attacks on civilians since Moscow invaded Ukraine more than two years ago.

Recent months have seen a sharp uptick in Ukrainian air attacks along Russia's western border, as well as incursions by pro-Kyiv militias comprised of Russian volunteer fighters.

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