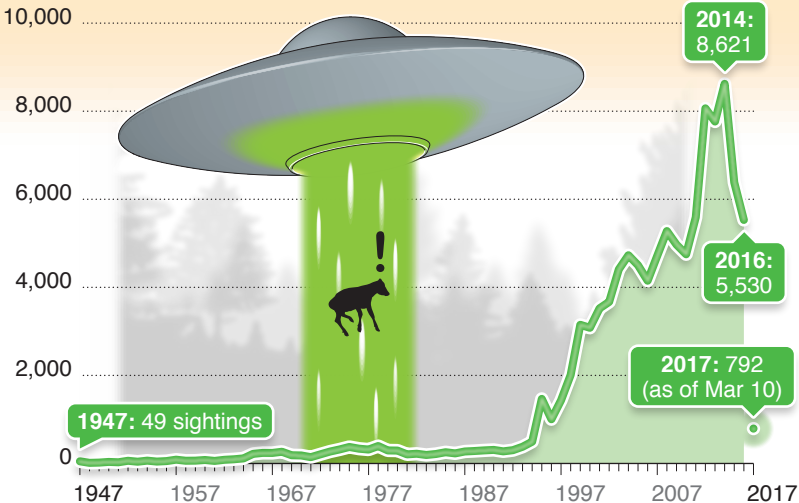


# UFOs: 70 years of sightings

The 1947 Roswell UFO\* incident took place 70 years ago this year. Initially reported as a crashed weather balloon, it was later confirmed as a military surveillance balloon, but conspiracy theories of alien spacecraft persist and reports of UFO sightings have soared

## GLOBAL UFO SIGHTINGS, 1947-2017



■ July 8, 1947: Roswell Army Air Field (RAAF) public information officer **Walter Haut** issues press release stating personnel from 509th Operations Group have recovered “**flying disc**”, which crashed on ranch near Roswell, New Mexico