

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Targeting Civilian Infrastructure

1. Did the bombing of Dresden, Hamburg, Tokyo, as well as Hiroshima and Nagasaki prove of military value?
2. When does civilian bombing become counterproductive and improve the resistance and morale of the enemy?
3. Would World War I have been shortened and lives saved had either side had the ability to hit the industrial and manufacturing centers of their enemies?
4. How have new technologies, such as drones, AI, hypersonic missiles, and smart bombs changed the strategy and tactics of civilian or dual-use targeting?

STRATEGIKA

Conflicts Of The Past As Lessons For The Present

Hoover Institution | Stanford University | www.hoover.org
Copyright © 2026 by the Board of Trustees of Leland Stanford Junior University