

# TERRORISTS POSE A VERY SMALL THREAT TO AMERICANS

CAUSE OF DEATH	LIFETIME ODDS
Heart disease	1 in 7
Cancer	1 in 7
Any injury	1 in 21
Chronic lung disease	1 in 27
Accidents	1 in 31
Stroke	1 in 31
Alzheimer's disease	1 in 47
Diabetes	1 in 53
Influenza/pneumonia	1 in 70
Kidney disease	1 in 85
Suicide	1 in 98
Any motor vehicle incident	1 in 113
Falling	1 in 133
Murder	1 in 249
Assault by gun	1 in 358
Car/van/truck incidents	1 in 565
Suffocation	1 in 608
Walking	1 in 672
Motorcycle	1 in 949
Drowning	1 in 1,183
Poisoning (liquid, gas, solid)	1 in 1,355
Fire or smoke	1 in 1,454
Assault by sharp object	1 in 2,448
Any force of nature	1 in 3,122

CAUSE OF DEATH	LIFETIME ODDS
Choking on food	1 in 3,409
Bicycling	1 in 4,337
Accidental gunshot	1 in 7,945
Police	1 in 8,359
Airplane and spaceship incidents	1 in 9,738
Heat wave	1 in 10,785
Electricity/radiation/heat/pressure	1 in 14,697
Animal attack or accident	1 in 30,167
Sharp objects accident	1 in 30,863
<b>Foreign-born terrorists (all forms)</b>	<b>1 in 45,808</b>
Tornado	1 in 60,000
Cataclysmic storm	1 in 63,685
Asteroid (global impact)	1 in 75,000
Legal execution	1 in 111,449
Dog attack	1 in 114,634
Earthquake	1 in 130,000
Bus, train, or streetcar	1 in 160,487
Lightning	1 in 174,443
Stinging by hornets, wasps, and bees	1 in 308,629
Asteroid (regional impact)	1 in 1,600,000
Shark attack	1 in 8,000,000
<b>Refugee terrorists</b>	<b>1 in 46,192,893</b>
<b>Illegal immigrant terrorists</b>	<b>1 in 138,324,873</b>
<b>Visa Waiver Program entrant</b>	<b>0 in 1</b>

**NOTE:** Most odds based on 2013 life expectancy, population, and death data. For infrequent events (e.g. asteroid), 2013 figures are assumed. Terrorism odds based on 41-year average (1975-2015).

**SOURCES:** National Safety Council; National Center for Health Statistics; Alex Nowrasteh/Cato Institute; Stephen A. Nelson/Tulane University; "Natural Disasters"/Patrick L. Abbott

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