

The Complete List of Fears, 2018

The following is a complete, list of all fears addressed by the Chapman University Survey of American Fears Wave 5 (2018), ranked by the percent of Americans who reported being afraid or very afraid.

Sorted Alphabetically

Complete List of Fears (2018)	% Afraid or Very Afraid
Abduction/kidnapping	25.1
Air Pollution	55.1
Animals (dogs, rats, etc.)	3.7
Antifa	20.7
Apocalypse/Armageddon	16.4
Becoming Seriously ill	44.1
Being fooled by 'fake' news	17.5
Being hit by a drunk driver	45.3
Being unemployed	34.4
Biological warfare	44.7
Blood	6.3
Break-ins	35.1
Clowns	7.1
Computers replacing people in the workforce	30.7
Corporate Tracking of \Personal Data	46.3
Corrupt government officials	73.6
Credit card fraud	42.6
Cyber-Terrorism	52.5
Deep lakes and oceans	25.7
Demons	20.8
Devastating blizzard/ winter storm	27
Devastating drought	37.7
Devastating Earthquake	30.9
Devastating Flood	31.1
Devastating Hurricane	32.8
Devastating tornado	34.7
Devastating Wildfire	30.7
Dying	27.9
Economic/financial collapse	49.2
Extinction of plant and animal species	54.1
Extreme Animal Rightists	11.3

Extreme Anti-Immigration Groups	41.6
Extreme Environmentalists	16.4
Financial fraud (such as a Ponzi scheme, embezzlement, etc.)	27.2
Flying	12.7
Gang violence	27.8
Germs	13.2
Ghosts	8.3
Global Warming and Climate Change	53.2
God	14.2
Government restrictions on firearms and ammunition	37.8
Government Tracking of Personal Data	46
Government Use of Drones Within the US	32.3
Heights	33.6
Hell	23.7
High Medical Bills	52.9
Identity theft	46.6
Illegal immigration	21.5
Insects/Arachnids (spiders, bees, etc.)	22.6
Iran using nuclear weapons	36.4
Islamic Extremists	49.3
Large volcanic eruption	18.6
Losing my data, photos or other important documents in a disaster	36.3
Militia/Patriot Movement	31.3
Mugging	28.6
Murder by a stranger	29.7
Murder by someone you know	21
Needles	12.9
North Korea using nuclear weapons	39.2
Not having enough money for the future	57
Nuclear accident/meltdown	36
Nuclear weapons attack	42.9
Oil Spills	44
Others talking about you behind your back	6.7
Pandemic or a major epidemic	38.6
People I love becoming seriously ill	56.5
People I love dying	56.4
Police brutality	26.6

Pollution of drinking water	60.7
Pollution of oceans, rivers and lakes	61.6
Public speaking	26.2
Racial/Hate crime	28.6
Random Mass shooting	41.5
Reptiles (snakes, lizards, etc.)	24.1
Sexual assault by a stranger	27.1
Sexual assault by someone you know	19.2
Sexual Harassment in the workplace	7.5
Sharing a restroom with a transgender person	9.5
Sharks	29.2
Significant other cheating on you	12.1
Small enclosed spaces	19.8
Stalking	23.7
Strangers	7
Technology I don't understand	17.8
Terrorism	39.8
Terrorist attack	43.8
The collapse of the electrical grid	39
The Devil/Satan	23.1
The U.S. will be involved in another world war	51.6
Theft of property	33.3
Walking alone at night	23.5
White Supremacists	49.3
Whites no longer being the majority in the U.S.	9.4
Widespread civil unrest	43
Zombies	8.4