

Summary of September 2013 Poll Results

All figures, unless otherwise stated, are from YouGov Plc. Total sample size was 1194 adults. Fieldwork was undertaken between 27th - 29th August 2013. The survey was carried out online. The figures have been weighted and are representative of all US adults (aged 18+).

1. The government's account of 9/11 states that 19 hijackers under the direction of Osama bin Laden, and without the support or foreknowledge of any government, hijacked four planes and crashed them into a field in Pennsylvania, the Pentagon and the Twin Towers, which then caused the Twin Towers to collapse. Some people are not satisfied with this account and believe it may be a cover-up of what actually happened that day. Other people are satisfied with this account and believe it is an accurate representation of the events that happened on September 11, 2001. Regarding the events of 9/11 and the government's account of those events, which, if any, of the following positions is closest to yours?

40% I am completely satisfied with the government's account

38% I have some doubts as to whether the government's account fully explains everything

10% I do not believe the government's account at all

12% I don't know/ Not sure

2. Some people have called for a new investigation into the events of 9/11. To what extent do you support or oppose launching a new investigation?

12% Strongly support

17% Support

29% Neither support or oppose

17% Oppose

15% Strongly oppose

10% I don't know/ Not sure

3. According to the government's account of events, the Twin Towers collapsed as a result of the two airplanes crashing into them and the fires that ensued. Others believe that explosive devices were used to collapse the Twin Towers in a controlled demolition after the planes crashed into them. Which, if any, of the following is closest to your view on what made the Twin Towers collapse?

63% The Twin Towers collapsed as a result of the plane crashes and fires only

13% Explosive devices were used to bring down the Twin Towers in a controlled demolition

24% I don't know/ Not sure

4. In addition to the Twin Towers, a third skyscraper in the World Trade Center complex collapsed on 9/11. Were you aware of this before today?

54% Yes

46% No

a. If "yes" to question 4, what was the name of this third skyscraper?

19% Correctly name the building (some variation of World Trade Center Building 7)

81% Incorrect or I don't know/ Not sure

b. If "yes" to question 4, what in your opinion was the primary cause of the collapse of this third skyscraper, which was known as World Trade Center Building 7?

60% Fires, which resulted from the impact of debris from the Twin Towers, burned throughout the day, leading to the building's collapse

17% Some type of explosive devices were used to bring down the building in a controlled demolition

22% I don't know/ Not sure

5. Seven hours after the collapse of the Twin Towers, a third tower, known as World Trade Center Building 7, collapsed at the World Trade Center.

Please look at this footage of the collapse of World Trade Center Building 7.

Based on this footage and your previous knowledge, which statement best describes your opinion of the cause of Building 7's collapse:

- 15% I am sure that it was caused by a controlled demolition
- 31% I suspect that it was caused by a controlled demolition, but I don't know for sure
- 17% I suspect that it was caused by ordinary fires, but I don't know for sure
- 11% I am sure that it was caused by ordinary fires
- 27% I don't know/ Not sure

6. In 2008 the National Institute of Standards and Technology, an agency of the U.S. Department of Commerce, issued a report concluding that fires, started by debris from the collapse of the North Tower, caused World Trade Center Building 7 to collapse. Critics, including a group of 2,000 architects and engineers, have disputed the conclusions of the government's report, arguing that only the use of explosives can account for Building 7's collapse. Are you more inclined to believe the government's conclusion that fires caused Building 7's collapse or the critics that believe explosives were used, or neither?

- 23% More inclined to believe the government's conclusions
- 37% More inclined to believe the critics
- 10% More inclined to believe something else
- 30% I don't know/ Not sure

7. Some people still consider the collapse of Building 7 suspicious and have called for a new investigation. Others consider the case closed and do not think a new investigation is warranted. To what extent would you support or oppose a new investigation into the collapse of World Trade Center Building 7?

16% Strongly support

25% Support

27% Neither support or oppose

12% Oppose

10% Strongly oppose

11% I don't know/ Not sure