

# YouGov Survey: Havana Syndrome



Sample 1145 U.S. adult citizens  
Conducted January 13 - 16, 2025  
Margin of Error ±3.9%

## 1. Have you heard about Havana syndrome?

Yes, a lot	8%
Yes, a little	27%
No	66%

## 2. Havana syndrome is a set of medical symptoms with unknown causes experienced mostly abroad by U.S. government workers and military personnel. Do you think Havana syndrome is most likely caused by...?

A sonic or acoustic weapon	16%
Pesticides or infectious agents	10%
Directed microwave radiation	9%
A mass psychogenic illness	9%
Crickets or other insect noises	1%
Something else	3%
Not sure	52%

## 3. Do you think Havana syndrome is the result of a targeted attack by a foreign government?

Definitely	10%
Probably	31%
Probably no	18%
Definitely no	5%
Not sure	37%

## 4. Some people have suggested that Havana syndrome is a mass psychogenic illness, a phenomenon in which people develop real symptoms as a result of erroneously believing they have been exposed to a health threat. How likely do you think this theory is?

Very likely	7%
Somewhat likely	28%
Somewhat unlikely	18%
Very unlikely	13%
Not sure	33%

## 5. Is the U.S. government doing the right amount to identify the origins of Havana syndrome?

It should do more	55%
It is doing about the right amount	41%
It should do less	4%

## 6. Is the U.S. government doing the right amount to support those who have been affected by Havana syndrome?

It should do more	54%
It is doing about the right amount	42%
It should do less	4%

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<b>Target population</b>	U.S. Citizens, aged 18 and over.
<b>Sampling method</b>	Respondents were selected from YouGov's opt-in panel to be representative of adult U.S. citizens.
<b>Weighting</b>	The sample was weighted according to gender, age, race, education, 2024 presidential vote, 2020 election turnout and presidential vote, baseline party identification, and current voter registration status. Demographic weighting targets come from the 2019 American Community Survey. 2024 presidential vote, at time of weighting was estimated to be 48% Harris and 50% Trump. Baseline party identification is the respondent's most recent answer given around November 8, 2024, and is weighted to the estimated distribution at that time (31% Democratic, 32% Republican). The weights range from 0.052 to 5.623, with a mean of one and a standard deviation of 0.886.
<b>Number of respondents</b>	1145
<b>Margin of error</b>	± 3.9% (adjusted for weighting)
<b>Survey mode</b>	Web-based interviews
<b>Questions not reported</b>	94 questions not reported.

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## 1. Havana Syndrome Knowledge

Have you heard about Havana syndrome?

	Gender			Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Yes, a lot	8%	10%	5%	7%	8%	9%	6%	8%	6%	9%	*
Yes, a little	27%	30%	24%	27%	27%	23%	33%	27%	24%	29%	*
No	66%	60%	71%	67%	65%	68%	61%	65%	71%	62%	*
Totals	101%	100%	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%	*
Unweighted N	(1,144)	(554)	(590)	(303)	(213)	(355)	(273)	(730)	(143)	(175)	(96)

	Party ID			2024 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Region				
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	Harris	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Yes, a lot	8%	10%	6%	7%	12%	9%	5%	7%	14%	5%	5%	9%	10%
Yes, a little	27%	30%	27%	24%	37%	29%	20%	28%	36%	35%	27%	23%	27%
No	66%	60%	67%	69%	51%	63%	75%	65%	49%	60%	68%	68%	63%
Totals	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(1,144)	(407)	(394)	(343)	(460)	(429)	(448)	(325)	(237)	(211)	(237)	(427)	(269)

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## 2. Havana Syndrome Causes

Havana syndrome is a set of medical symptoms with unknown causes experienced mostly abroad by U.S. government workers and military personnel. Do you think Havana syndrome is most likely caused by...?

	Total	Gender		Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
		Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
A sonic or acoustic weapon	16%	17%	15%	10%	12%	18%	22%	16%	14%	18%	*
Pesticides or infectious agents	10%	8%	11%	9%	8%	13%	9%	11%	12%	5%	*
Directed microwave radiation	9%	12%	7%	7%	9%	8%	13%	9%	9%	8%	*
A mass psychogenic illness	9%	9%	9%	15%	15%	6%	2%	8%	9%	14%	*
Crickets or other insect noises	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%	0%	0%	1%	1%	1%	*
Something else	3%	5%	2%	4%	2%	5%	3%	4%	3%	3%	*
Not sure	52%	48%	55%	53%	53%	50%	51%	51%	52%	50%	*
Totals	100%	100%	100%	99%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	*
Unweighted N	(1,141)	(552)	(589)	(303)	(211)	(355)	(272)	(728)	(143)	(174)	(96)

	Total	Party ID			2024 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Region			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Harris	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
A sonic or acoustic weapon	16%	14%	16%	16%	21%	19%	13%	15%	21%	15%	11%	18%	16%
Pesticides or infectious agents	10%	13%	7%	12%	11%	9%	10%	11%	11%	8%	14%	10%	8%
Directed microwave radiation	9%	11%	7%	11%	12%	13%	8%	9%	13%	10%	6%	10%	11%

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		Dem	Ind	Rep	Harris	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
A mass psychogenic illness	9%	10%	10%	7%	10%	8%	9%	13%	8%	10%	13%	7%	8%
Crickets or other insect noises	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%	2%	0%	0%	0%	1%	1%
Something else	3%	3%	5%	3%	5%	3%	3%	5%	3%	4%	2%	4%	4%
Not sure	52%	48%	56%	50%	41%	47%	56%	46%	44%	52%	54%	50%	52%
Totals	100%	100%	102%	100%	101%	100%	99%	101%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(1,141)	(406)	(394)	(341)	(460)	(426)	(445)	(326)	(236)	(211)	(236)	(426)	(268)

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### 3. Havana Syndrome Attack

Do you think Havana syndrome is the result of a targeted attack by a foreign government?

	Gender			Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Definitely	10%	13%	7%	2%	6%	12%	17%	10%	6%	11%	*
Probably	31%	29%	34%	30%	24%	34%	36%	33%	36%	19%	*
Probably no	18%	18%	18%	27%	21%	12%	14%	17%	12%	29%	*
Definitely no	5%	6%	4%	10%	6%	4%	1%	4%	6%	6%	*
Not sure	37%	34%	38%	31%	43%	38%	32%	36%	39%	34%	*
Totals	101%	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	99%	*
Unweighted N	(1,144)	(554)	(590)	(303)	(213)	(355)	(273)	(730)	(143)	(175)	(96)

	Party ID			2024 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Region				
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	Harris	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Definitely	10%	6%	9%	13%	9%	13%	8%	8%	13%	9%	7%	13%	7%
Probably	31%	36%	30%	28%	34%	30%	34%	32%	27%	34%	38%	27%	30%
Probably no	18%	20%	15%	18%	20%	17%	13%	23%	21%	15%	19%	15%	24%
Definitely no	5%	5%	5%	4%	4%	5%	6%	3%	4%	5%	4%	6%	4%
Not sure	37%	33%	40%	36%	32%	34%	39%	33%	35%	37%	32%	40%	34%
Totals	101%	100%	99%	99%	99%	99%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	101%	99%
Unweighted N	(1,144)	(406)	(395)	(343)	(460)	(429)	(448)	(325)	(237)	(211)	(237)	(428)	(268)

**4. Havana Syndrome Mass Psychogenic Illness**

Some people have suggested that Havana syndrome is a mass psychogenic illness, a phenomenon in which people develop real symptoms as a result of erroneously believing they have been exposed to a health threat. How likely do you think this theory is?

	Gender		Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)				
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Very likely	7%	9%	6%	10%	10%	7%	3%	6%	7%	19%	*
Somewhat likely	28%	30%	27%	42%	30%	24%	21%	28%	34%	30%	*
Somewhat unlikely	18%	19%	18%	14%	13%	18%	29%	20%	12%	12%	*
Very unlikely	13%	12%	13%	5%	8%	17%	18%	14%	9%	9%	*
Not sure	33%	30%	36%	30%	38%	34%	29%	32%	38%	30%	*
Totals	99%	100%	100%	101%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	*
Unweighted N	(1,144)	(553)	(591)	(304)	(213)	(355)	(272)	(731)	(143)	(175)	(95)

	Party ID			2024 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Region				
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	Harris	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Very likely	7%	10%	6%	7%	10%	5%	6%	8%	11%	5%	6%	7%	12%
Somewhat likely	28%	31%	29%	25%	28%	26%	27%	29%	29%	33%	29%	25%	31%
Somewhat unlikely	18%	23%	16%	17%	26%	19%	17%	22%	17%	16%	22%	17%	18%
Very unlikely	13%	10%	12%	17%	12%	20%	13%	11%	15%	15%	9%	13%	13%
Not sure	33%	26%	38%	33%	24%	31%	36%	30%	27%	31%	34%	38%	26%
Totals	99%	100%	101%	99%	100%	101%	99%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(1,144)	(407)	(394)	(343)	(461)	(428)	(448)	(325)	(237)	(211)	(236)	(428)	(269)

**5. Havana Syndrome Government Research**

Is the U.S. government doing the right amount to identify the origins of Havana syndrome?

	Gender			Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
It should do more	55%	57%	54%	44%	50%	61%	63%	54%	58%	53%	*
It is doing about the right amount	41%	39%	43%	50%	43%	37%	35%	42%	40%	44%	*
It should do less	4%	5%	3%	6%	7%	1%	2%	4%	3%	4%	*
Totals	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	101%	101%	*
Unweighted N	(1,133)	(550)	(583)	(301)	(211)	(352)	(269)	(723)	(142)	(174)	(94)

	Party ID			2024 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Region				
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	Harris	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
It should do more	55%	53%	55%	58%	57%	59%	57%	51%	58%	52%	56%	56%	55%
It is doing about the right amount	41%	44%	40%	39%	41%	38%	38%	45%	41%	44%	42%	39%	39%
It should do less	4%	3%	5%	3%	2%	3%	5%	4%	1%	3%	2%	4%	6%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	99%	100%
Unweighted N	(1,133)	(404)	(391)	(338)	(457)	(424)	(443)	(322)	(236)	(209)	(235)	(422)	(267)



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**6. Havana Syndrome Government Support**

Is the U.S. government doing the right amount to support those who have been affected by Havana syndrome?

	Total	Gender		Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
		Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
It should do more	54%	55%	54%	47%	51%	59%	58%	52%	59%	56%	*
It is doing about the right amount	42%	40%	44%	48%	42%	40%	40%	44%	40%	42%	*
It should do less	4%	5%	2%	5%	6%	2%	2%	4%	1%	2%	*
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	*
Unweighted N	(1,132)	(549)	(583)	(300)	(207)	(354)	(271)	(724)	(142)	(172)	(94)

	Total	Party ID			2024 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Region			
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It should do more	54%	58%	54%	52%	60%	54%	57%	49%	57%	50%	61%	54%	53%
It is doing about the right amount	42%	40%	41%	45%	38%	42%	38%	48%	41%	47%	38%	43%	41%
It should do less	4%	3%	5%	3%	2%	3%	4%	4%	2%	4%	2%	3%	6%
Totals	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%	99%	99%	101%	100%	101%	101%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(1,132)	(400)	(392)	(340)	(455)	(427)	(441)	(325)	(235)	(209)	(236)	(422)	(265)

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