

Russians Fear Terror Attacks, Poll Says

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Almost two-thirds of Russians fear new terrorist attacks in large cities and view the situation in the North Caucasus republics as tense, a new poll released Wednesday shows.

Levada Center pollsters found that 60 percent of respondents anticipated new terrorist bombings, while 70 percent feared that loved ones could perish in such attacks, Interfax reported. Twenty percent held no such fears.

In other findings, 8 percent said the situation in the North Caucasus was critical and explosive, 15 percent saw conditions deteriorating and 59 percent expected little change in the near future.

Only 21 percent of respondents viewed the North Caucasus as calm, with 11 percent anticipating the security threat in the region would lessen.

Levada Center did not reveal the number of respondents or margin of error for the survey.

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