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# **NEWS RELEASE**

## America's Biggest Fears

KRC's Pulse Poll Reveals Which Phobias are the Most Common

**WASHINGTON, DC – October 21, 2015 –** Halloween is just around the corner, and with that comes all kinds of scary movies, decorations, and TV specials. Looking to make your haunted house the scariest on the block? Play up these top phobias:

- ACROPHOBIA. 33% of Americans are afraid of heights.
- GLOSSOPHOBIA. 32% of Americans are afraid of public speaking.
- ATYCHIPHOBIA. 31% of Americans are afraid of failure.
- ARACHNOPHOBIA. 28% of Americans are afraid of spiders.
- CLAUSTROPHOBIA. 16% of Americans are afraid of small spaces.
- MYSOPHOBIA. 13% of Americans are afraid of germs.
- TRYPANOPHOBIA. 13% of Americans are afraid of needles.
- AVIOPHOBIA. 13% of Americans are afraid of flying.
- PHASMOPHOBIA. 9% of Americans are afraid of ghosts.

To learn more about the KRC Pulse Poll, visit: www.krcresearch.com.

## Survey Methodology

The KRC Pulse Poll nationwide survey was conducted online by KRC Research in August 2015 among 507 American adults ages 18 and older.

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